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(54) **SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING OHMIC CONNECTION THAT UTILIZES PEAK IMPURITY CONCENTRATION REGION**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

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A semiconductor device which has: a bipolar transistor having a collector region of a second conductivity type formed from the surface of a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type, a base region of a first conductivity type formed from the surface of the collector region, and an emitter region of a second conductivity type formed from the surface of the base region; a collector extraction region that is separated by an insulating layer and is formed in the collector region except the base region; a concave portion in the collector extraction region that is formed up to a depth where the collector region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution; and a collector extraction electrode that is connected with the collector region to extract ohmic-connecting to the bottom of the concave portion.

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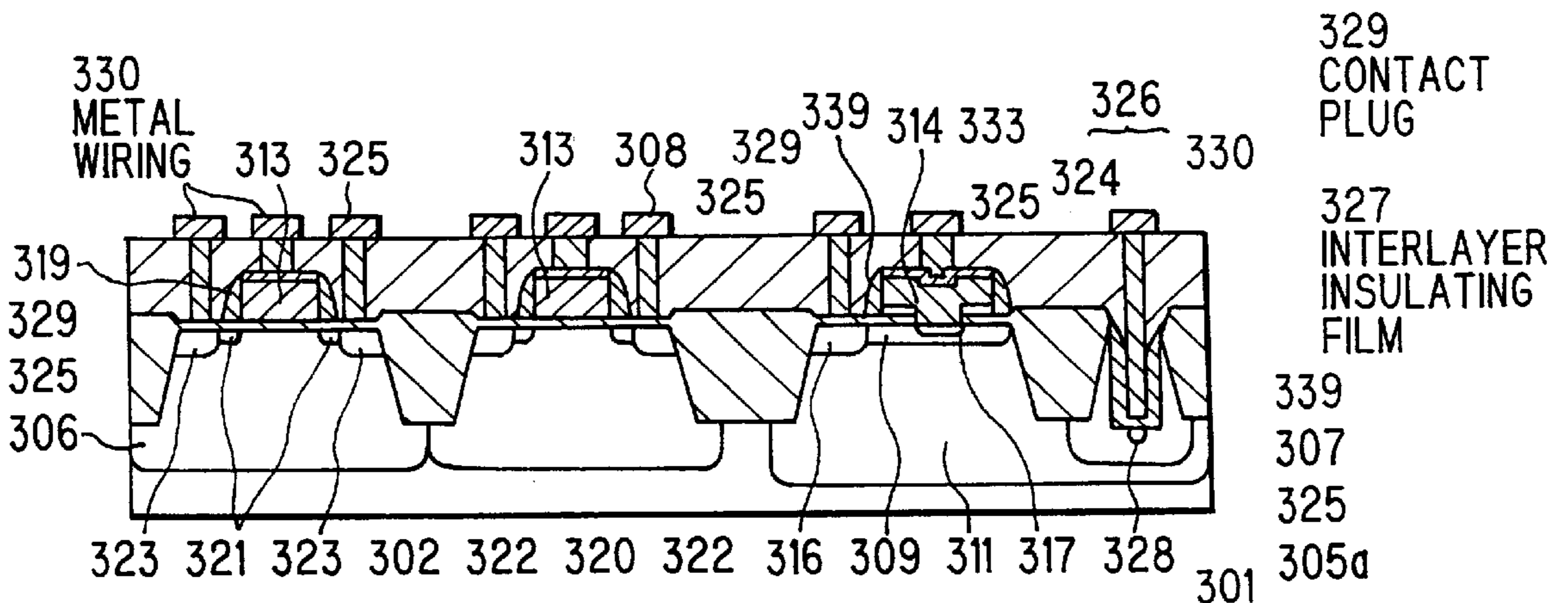


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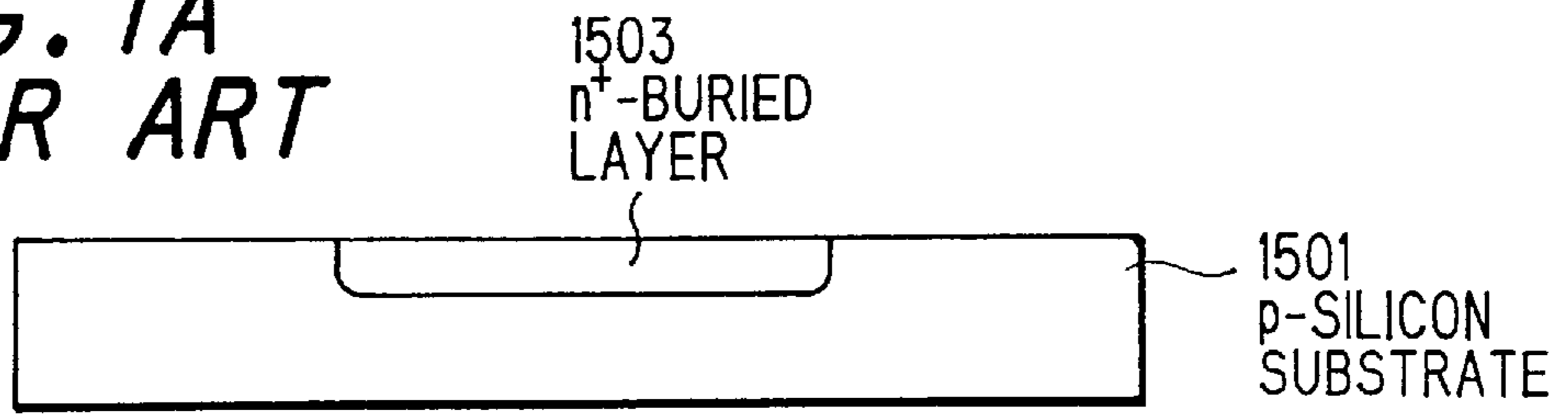


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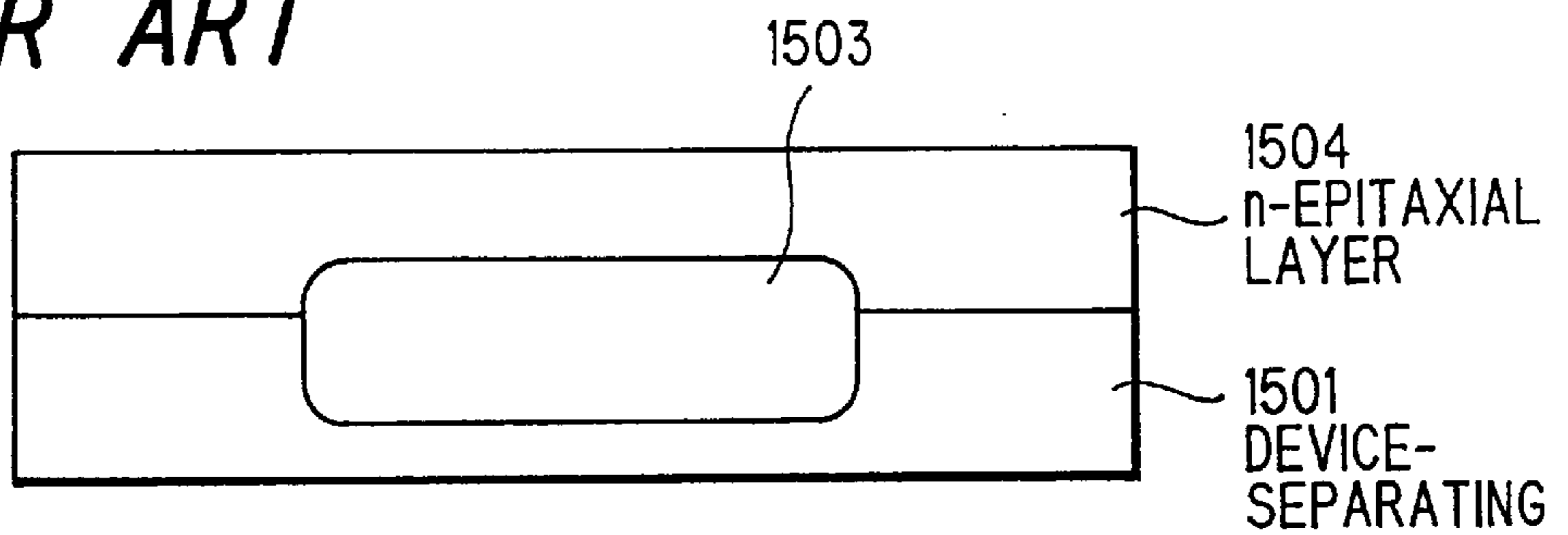


FIG. 1C
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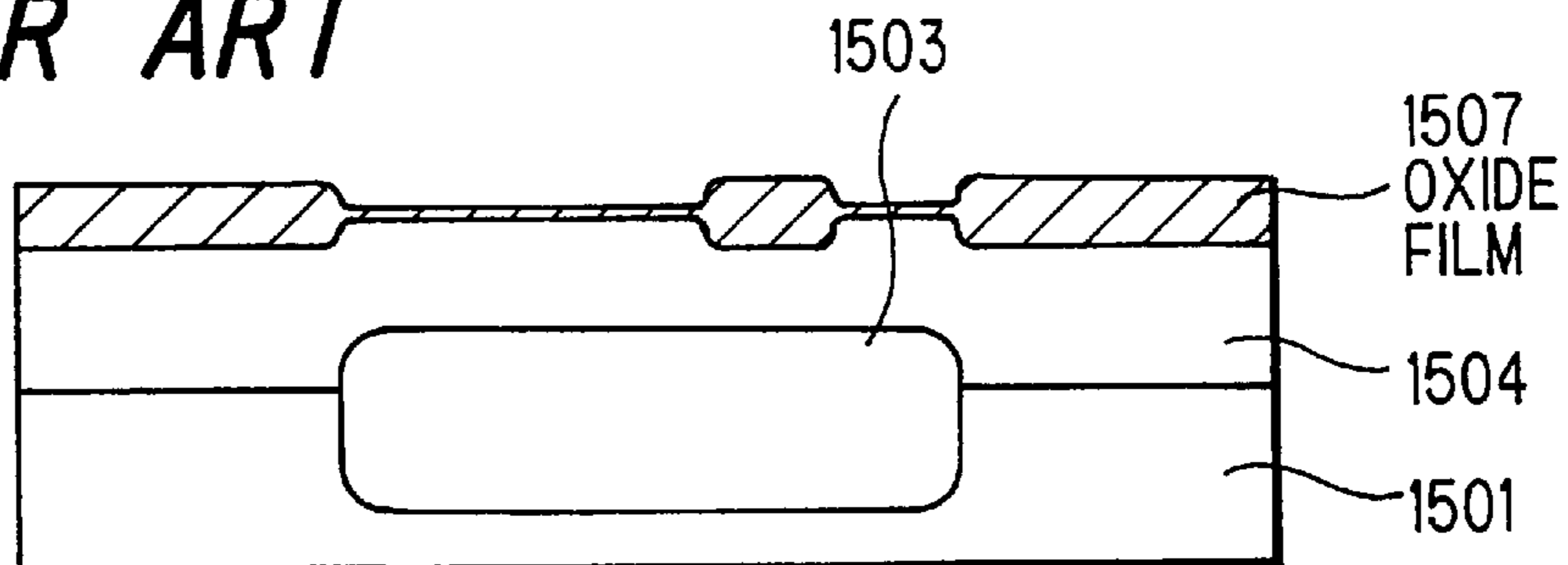


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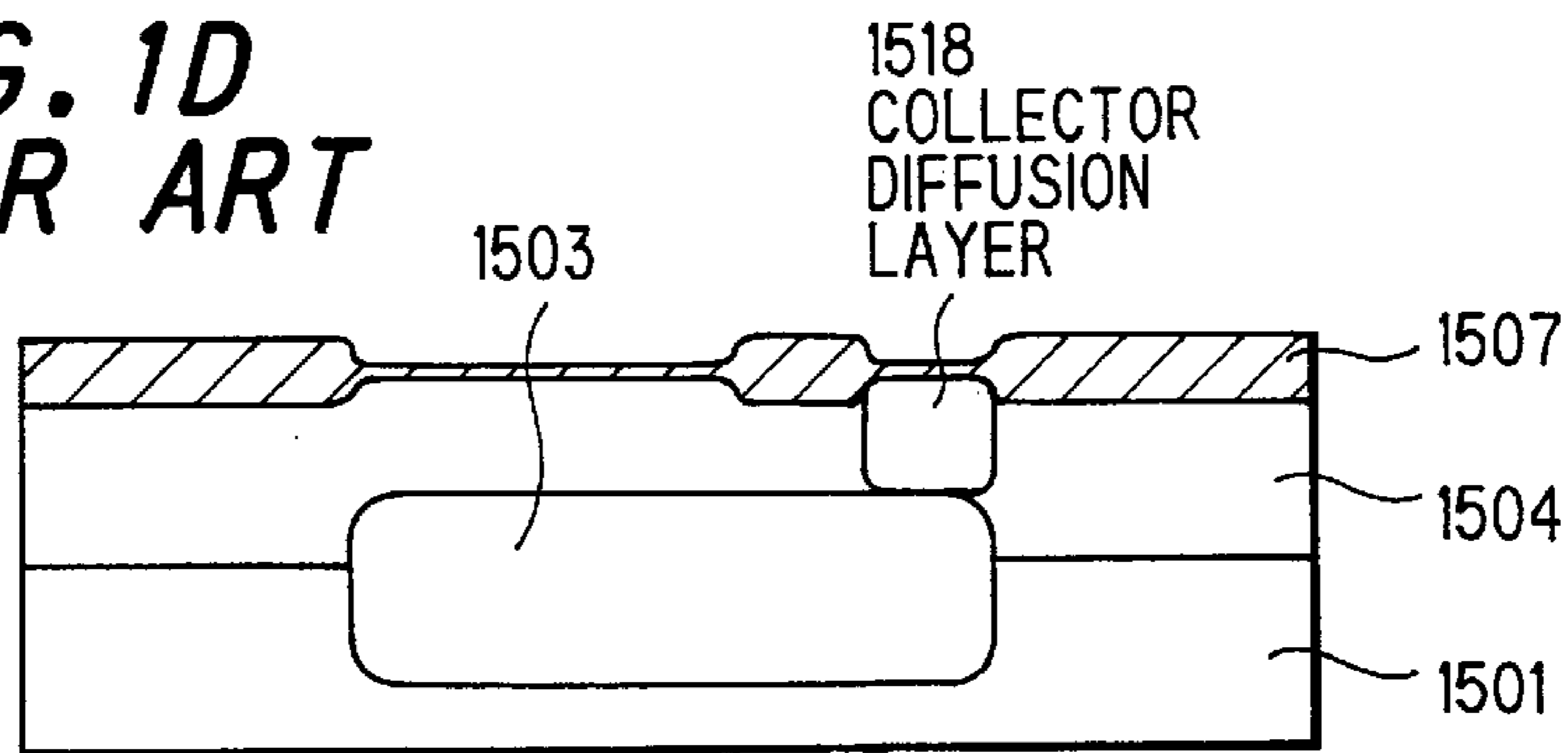


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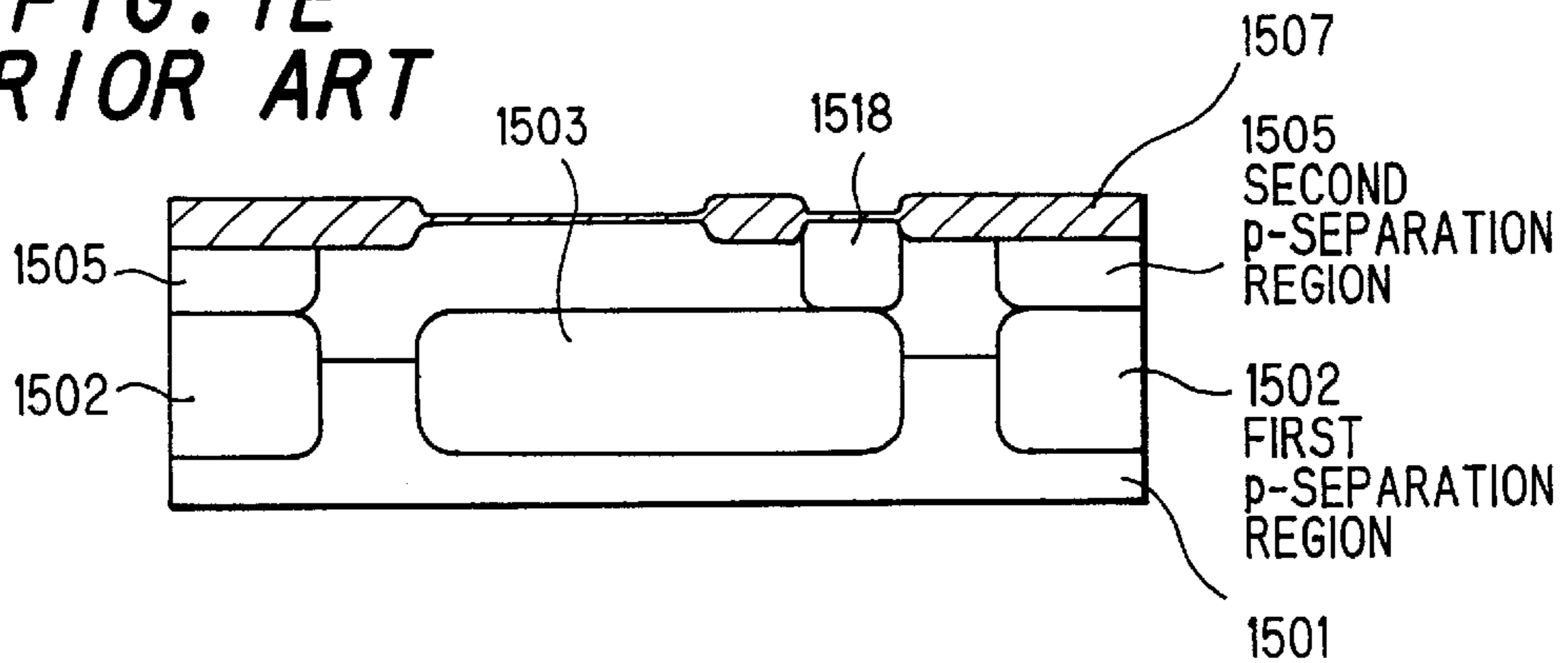


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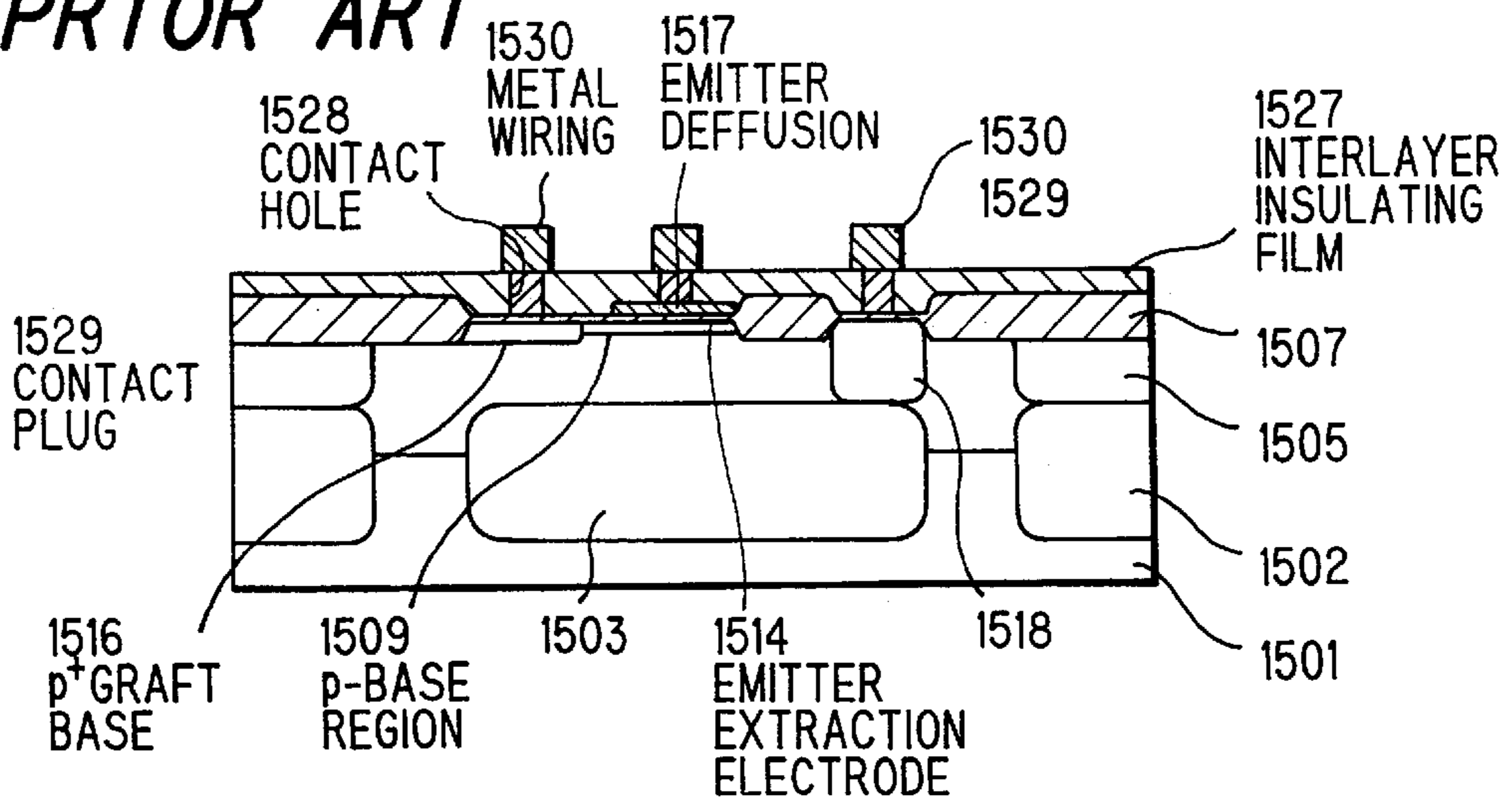


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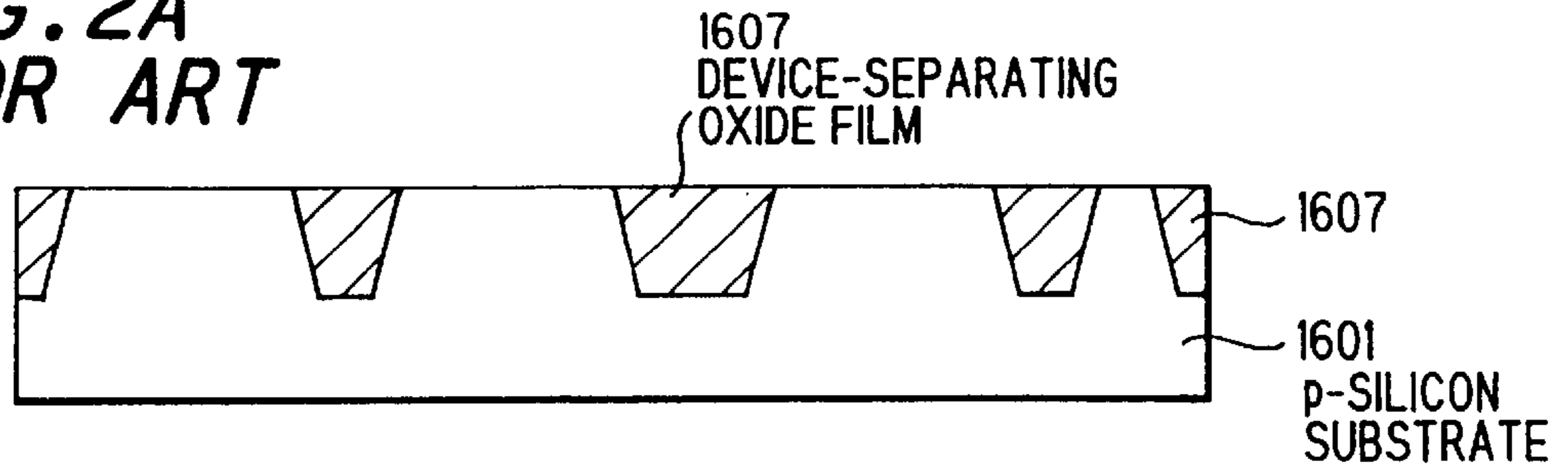


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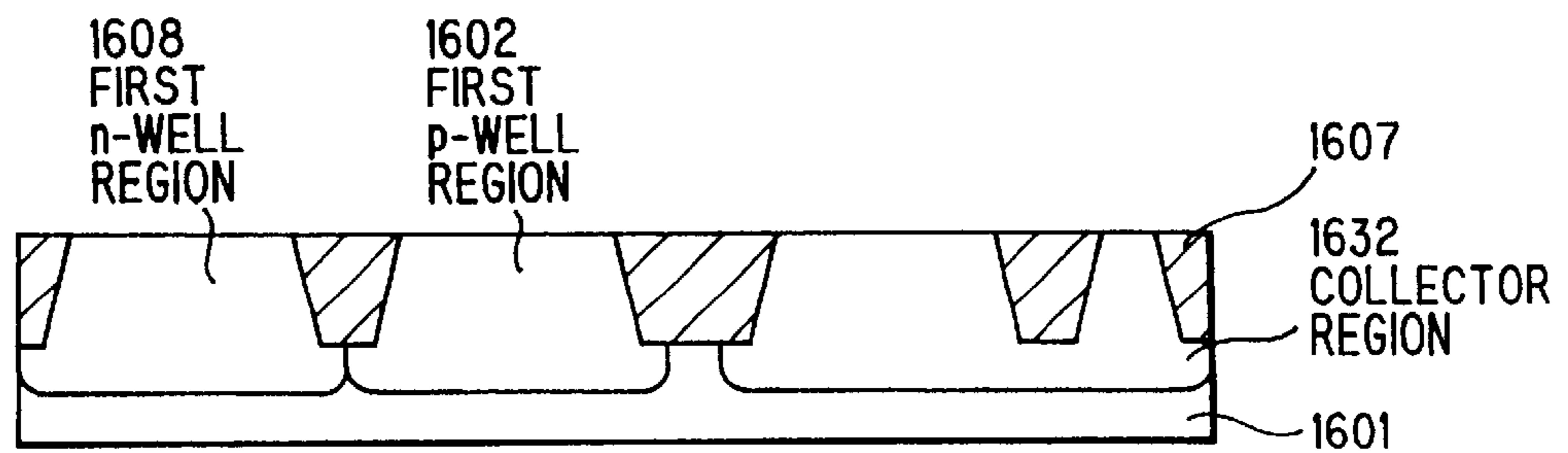


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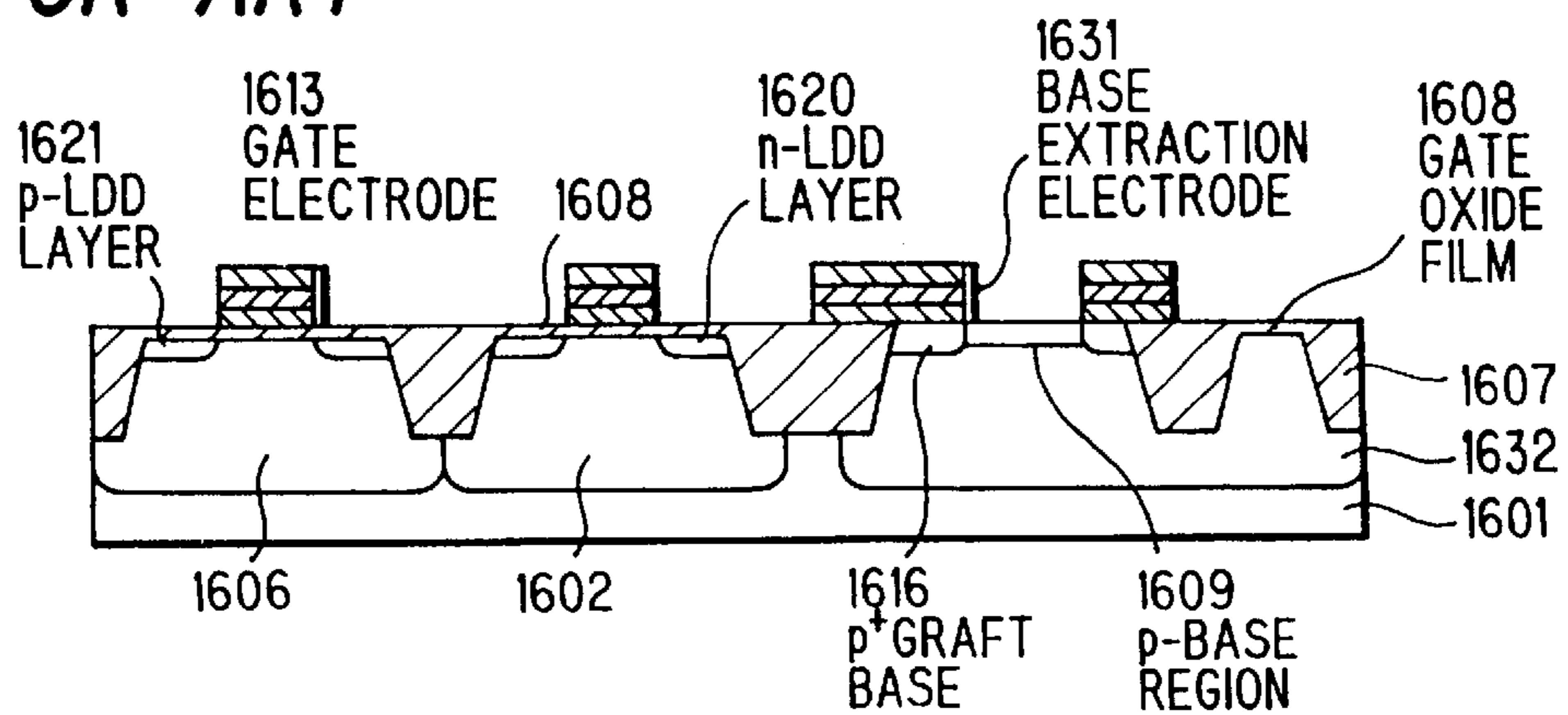


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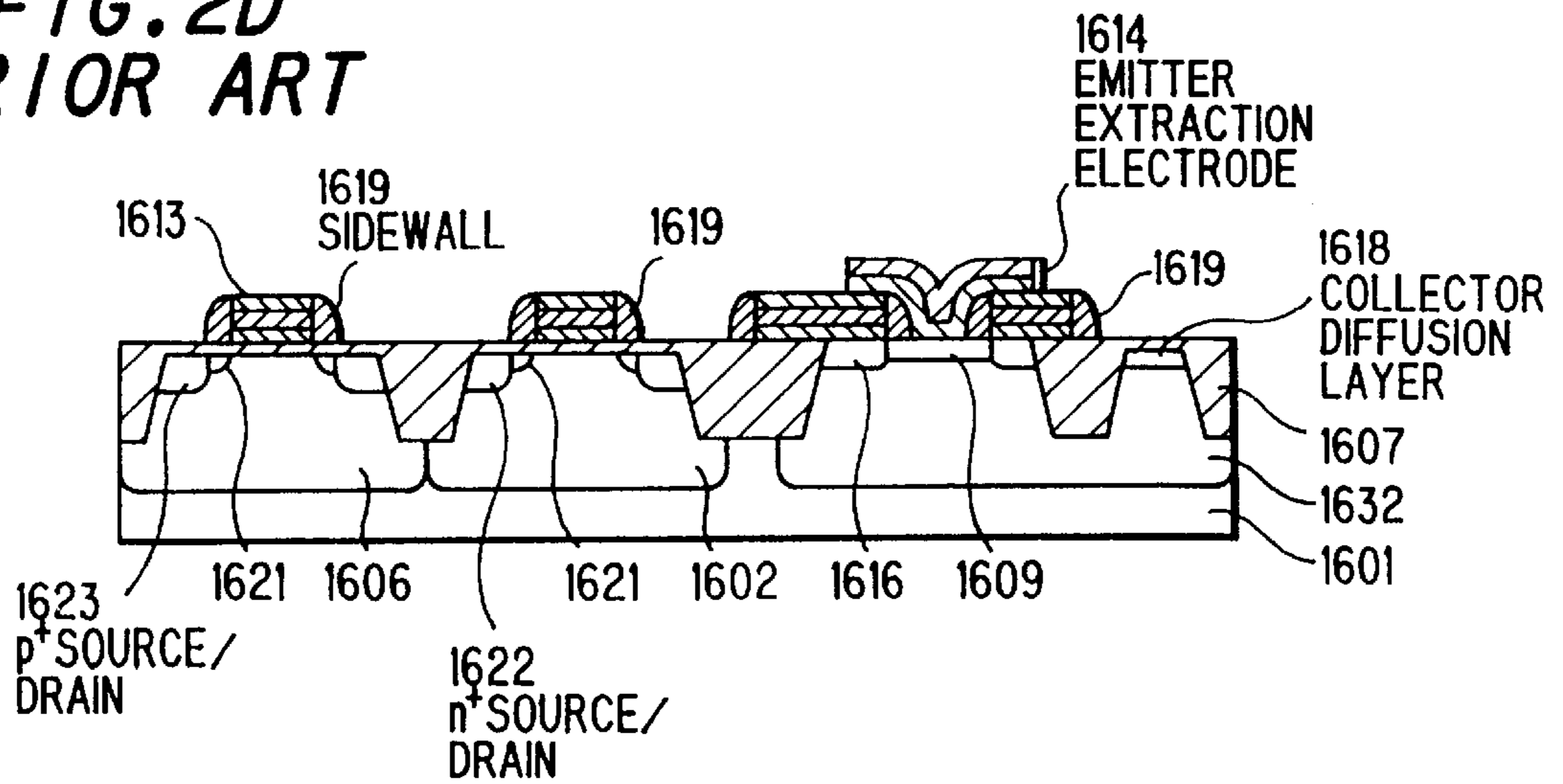


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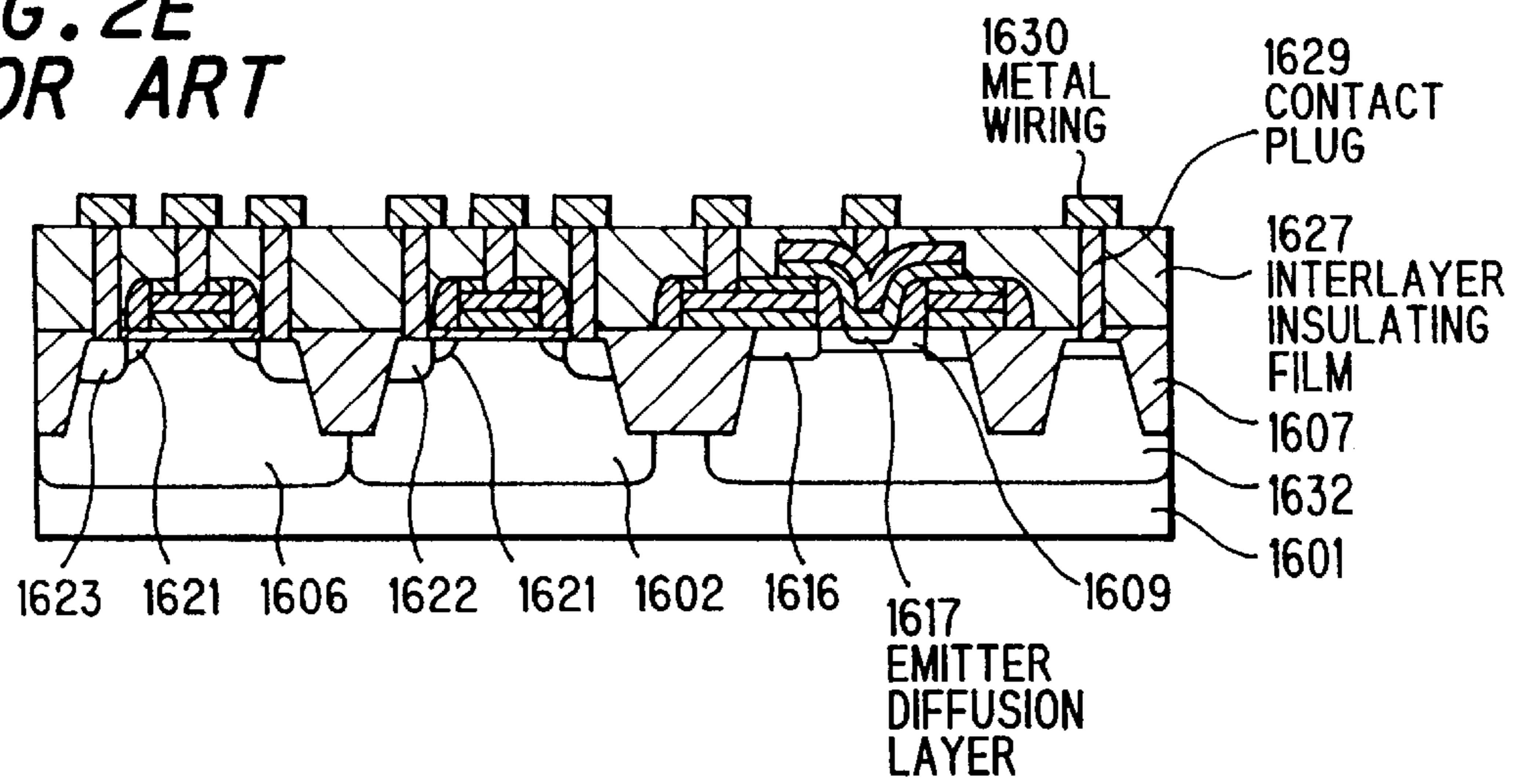


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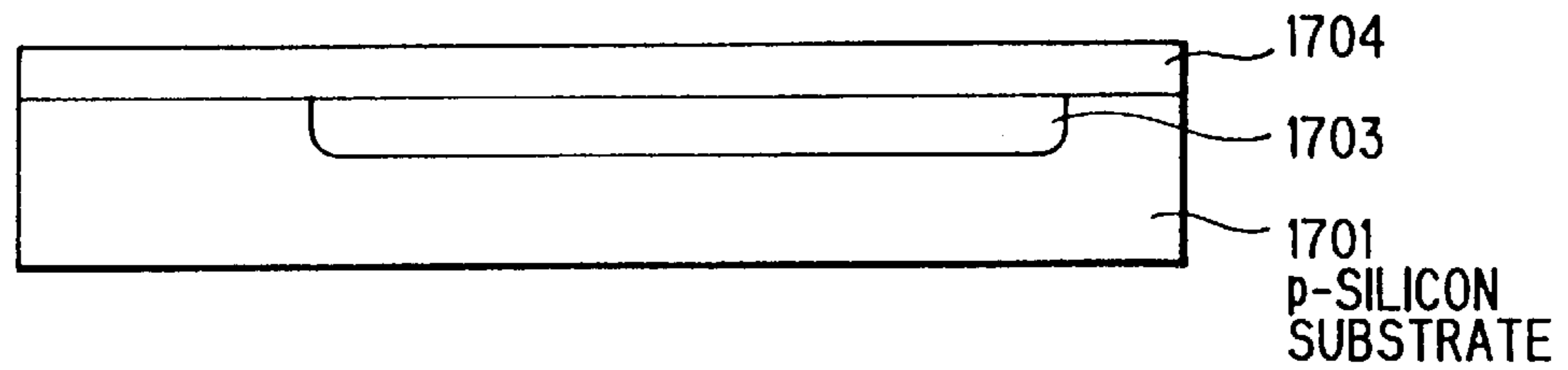


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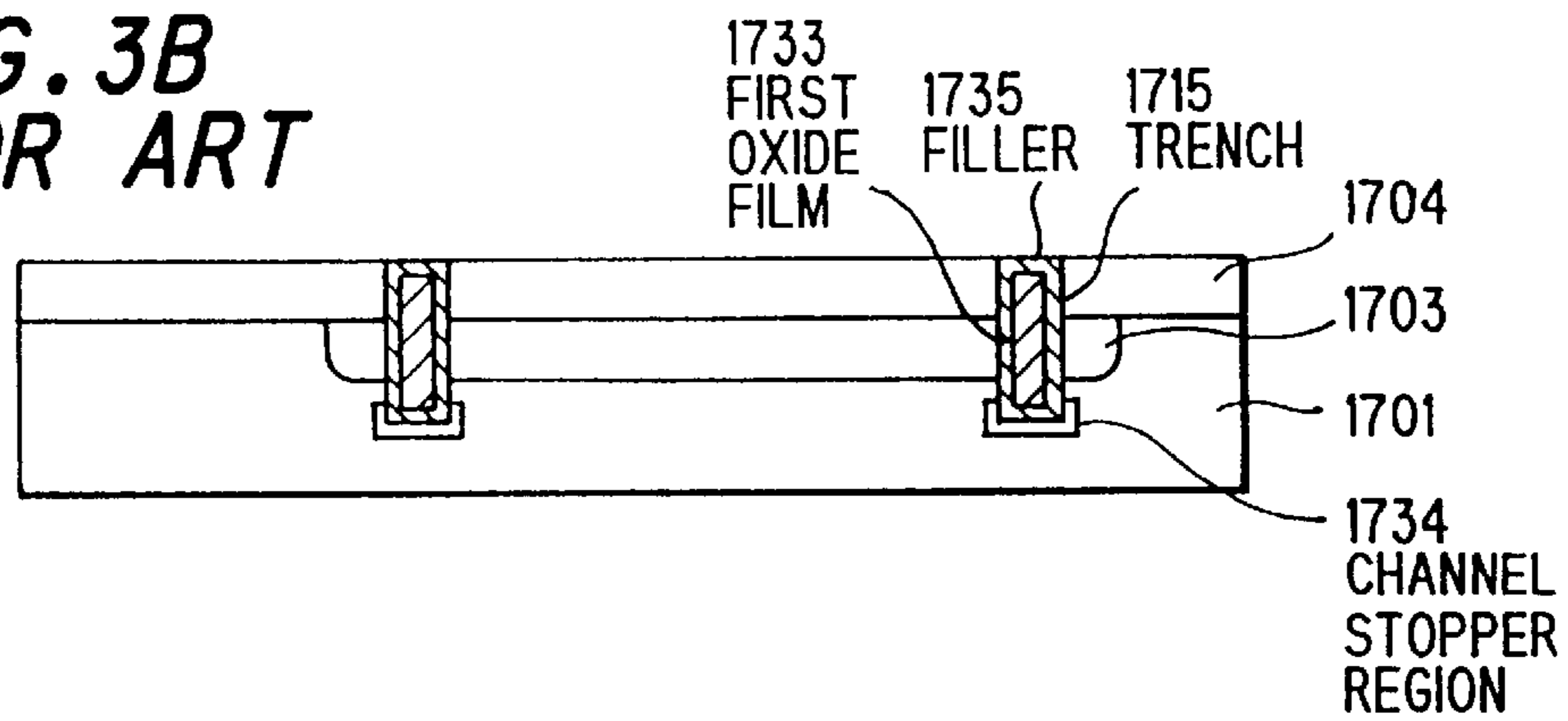


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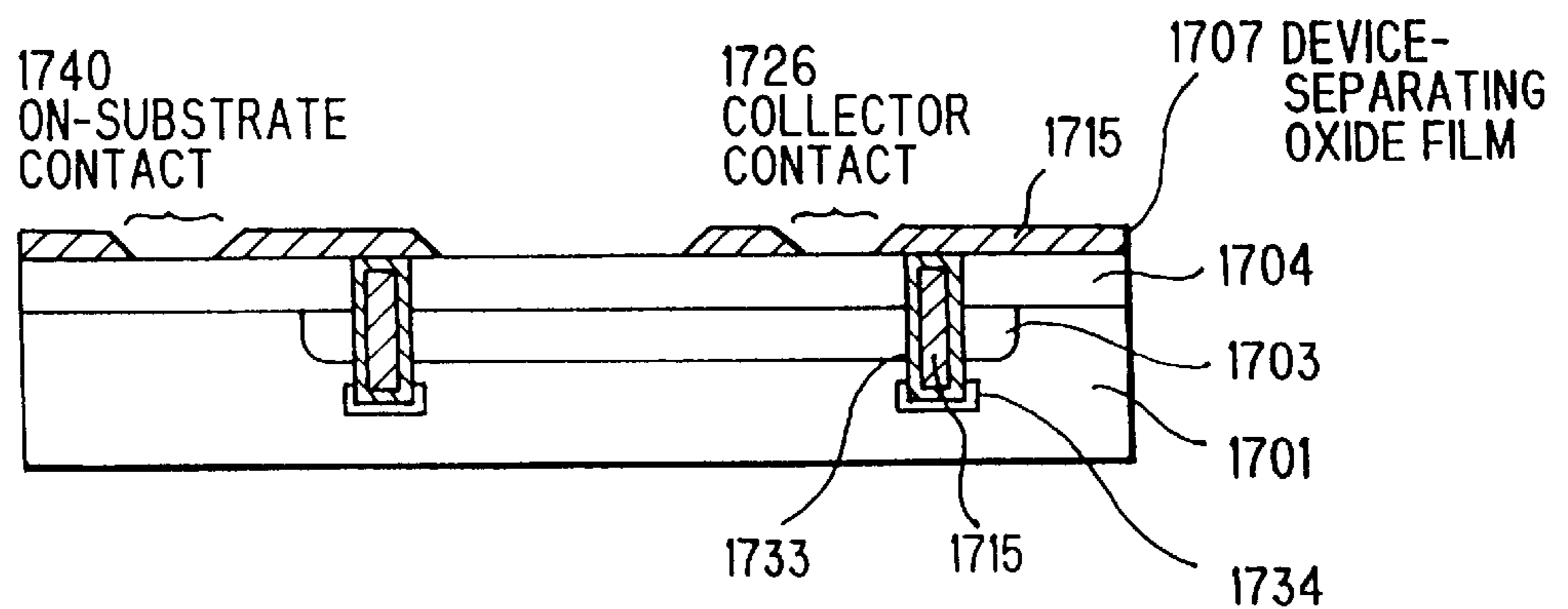


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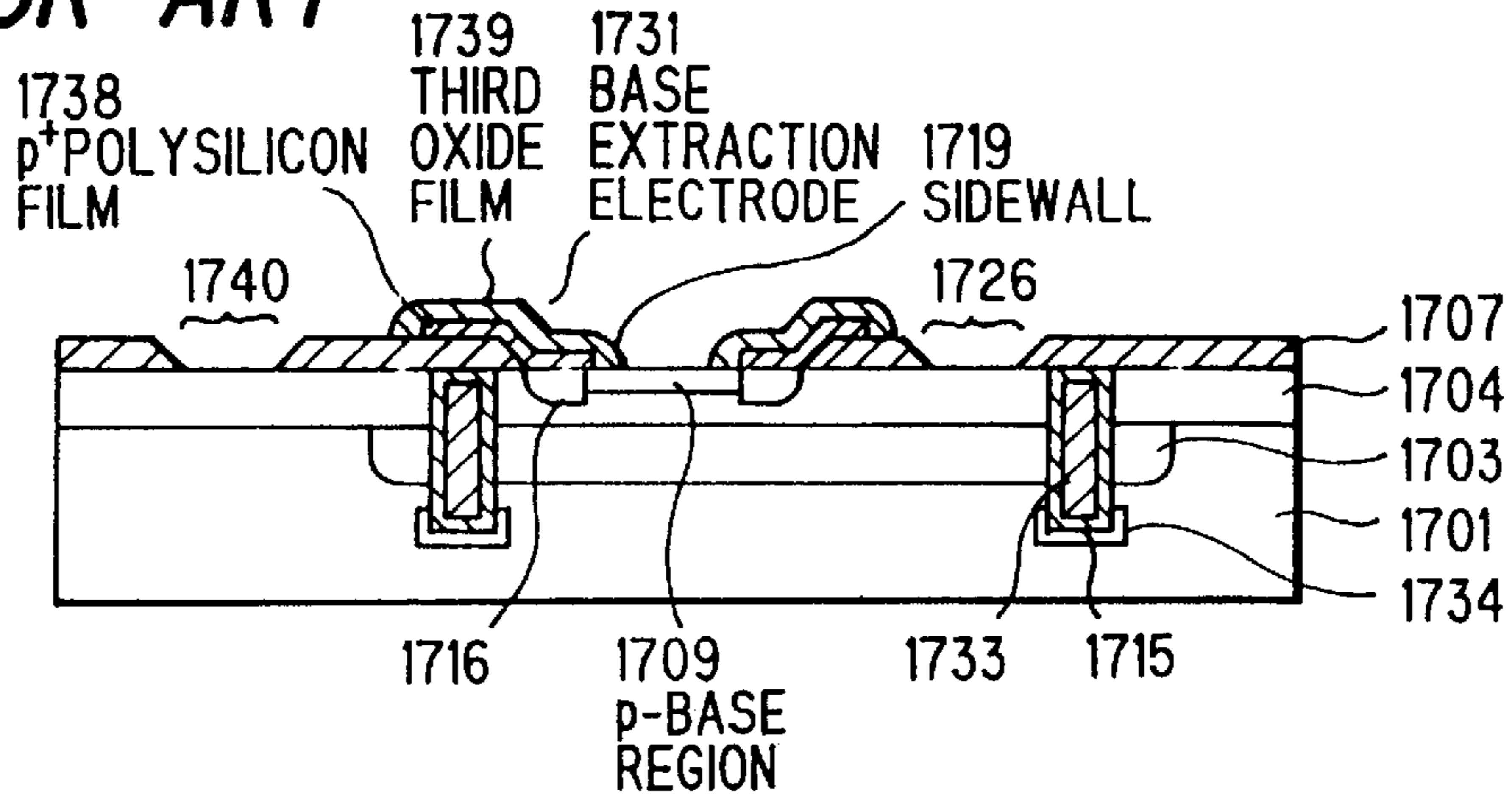


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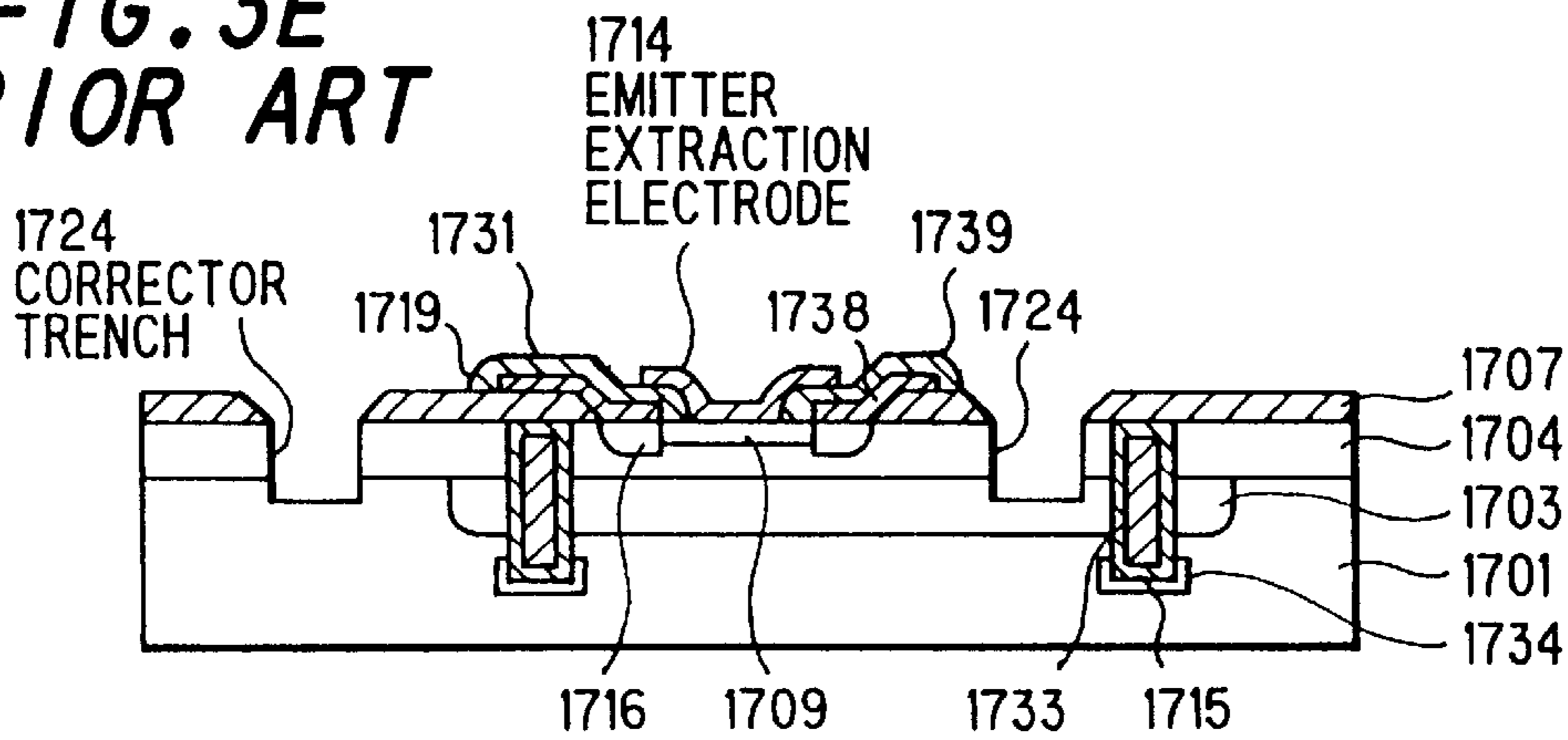


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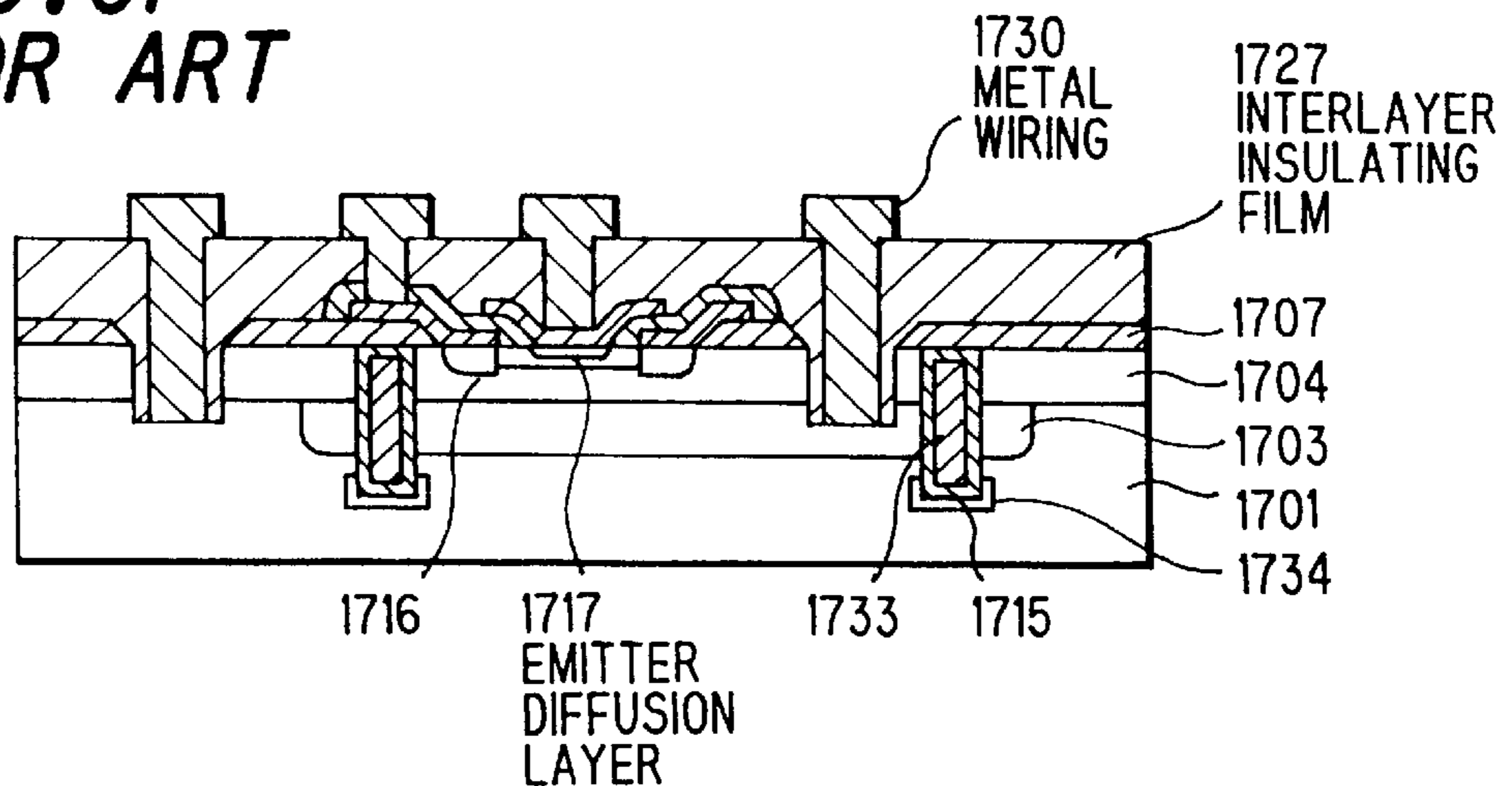


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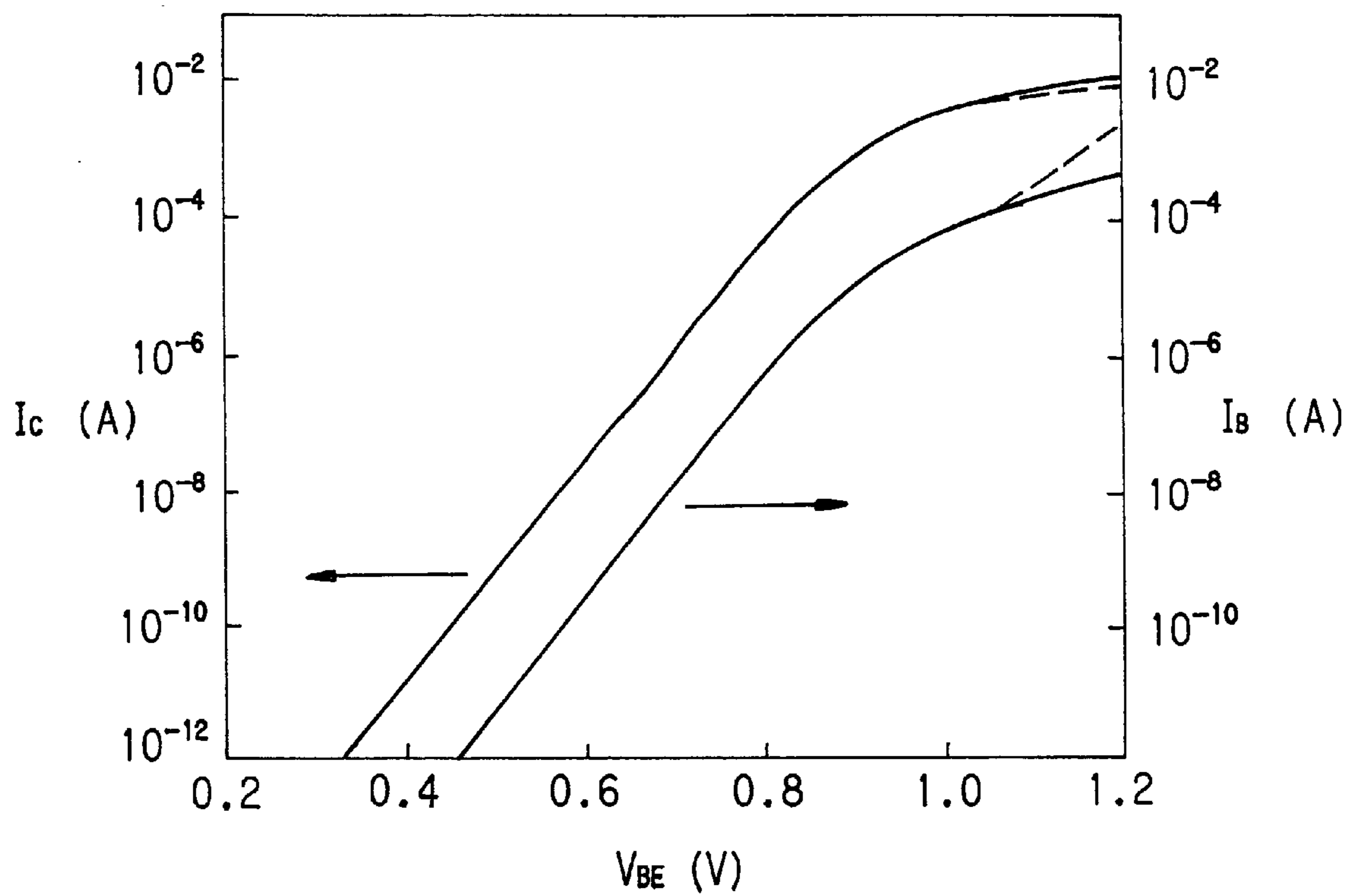


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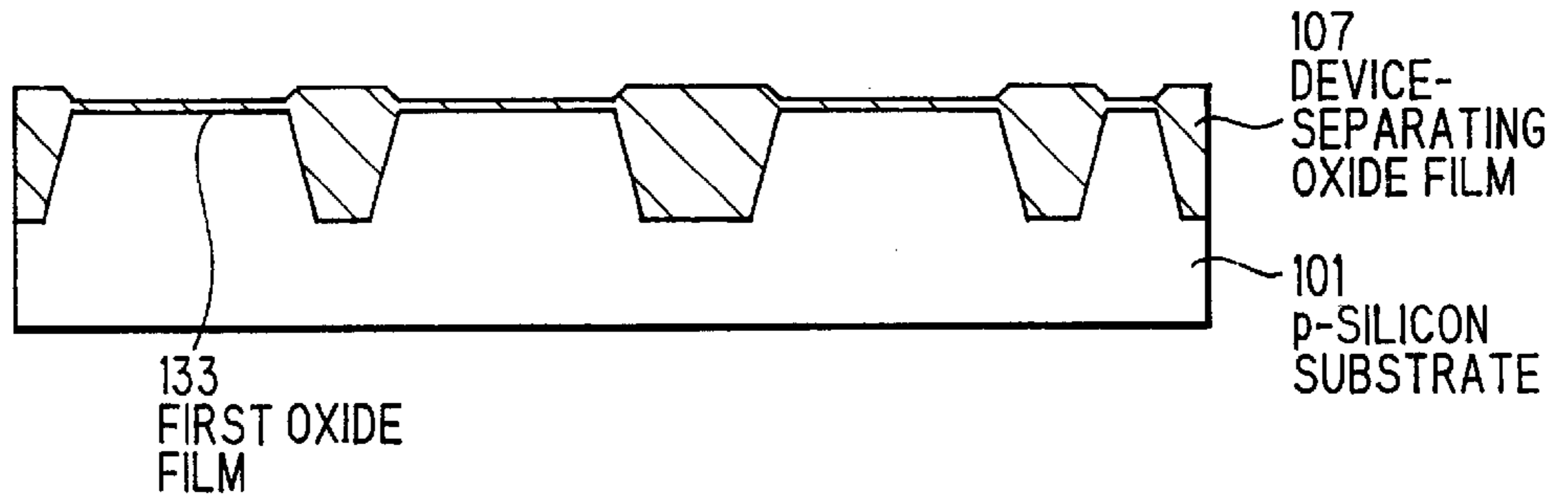


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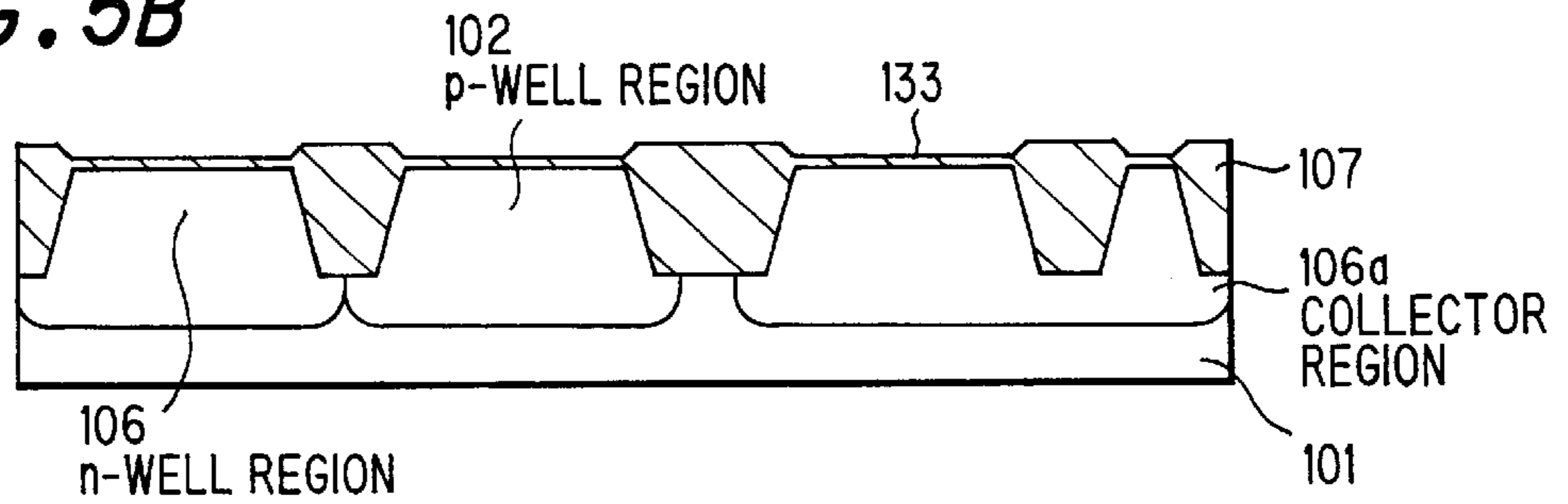


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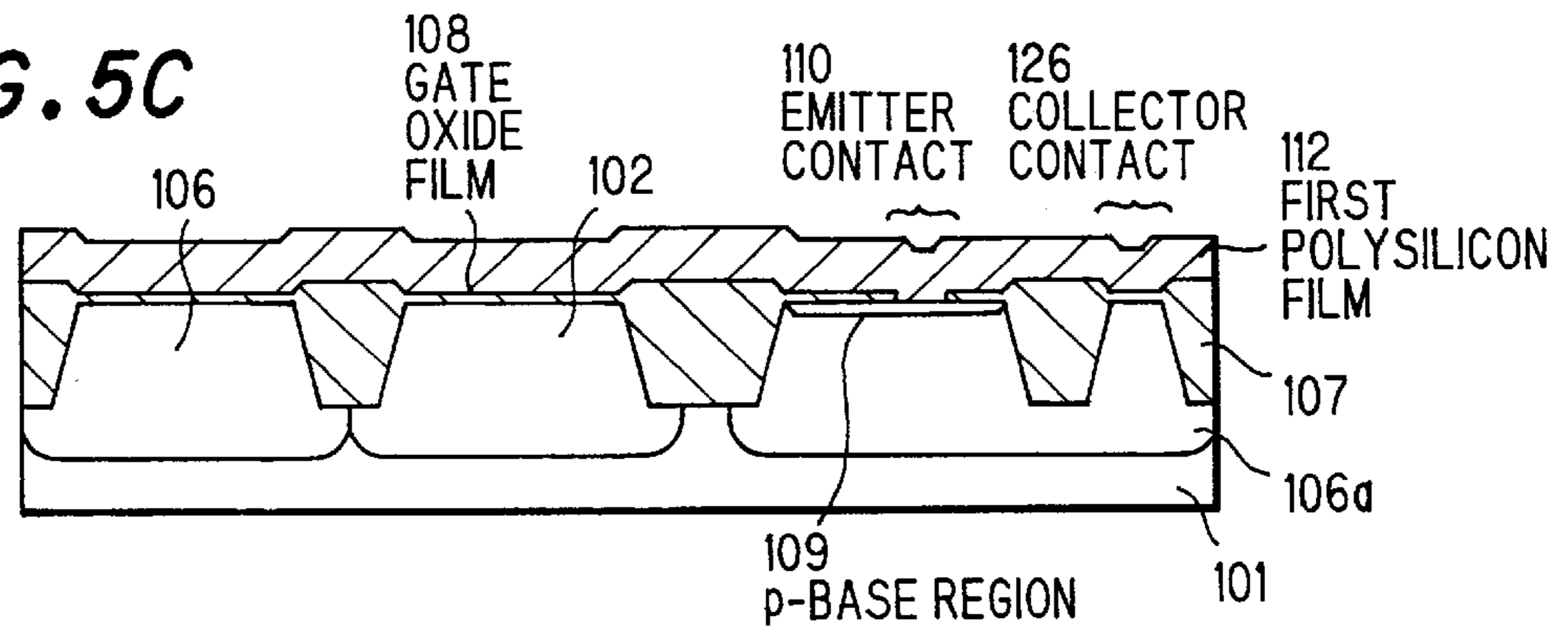


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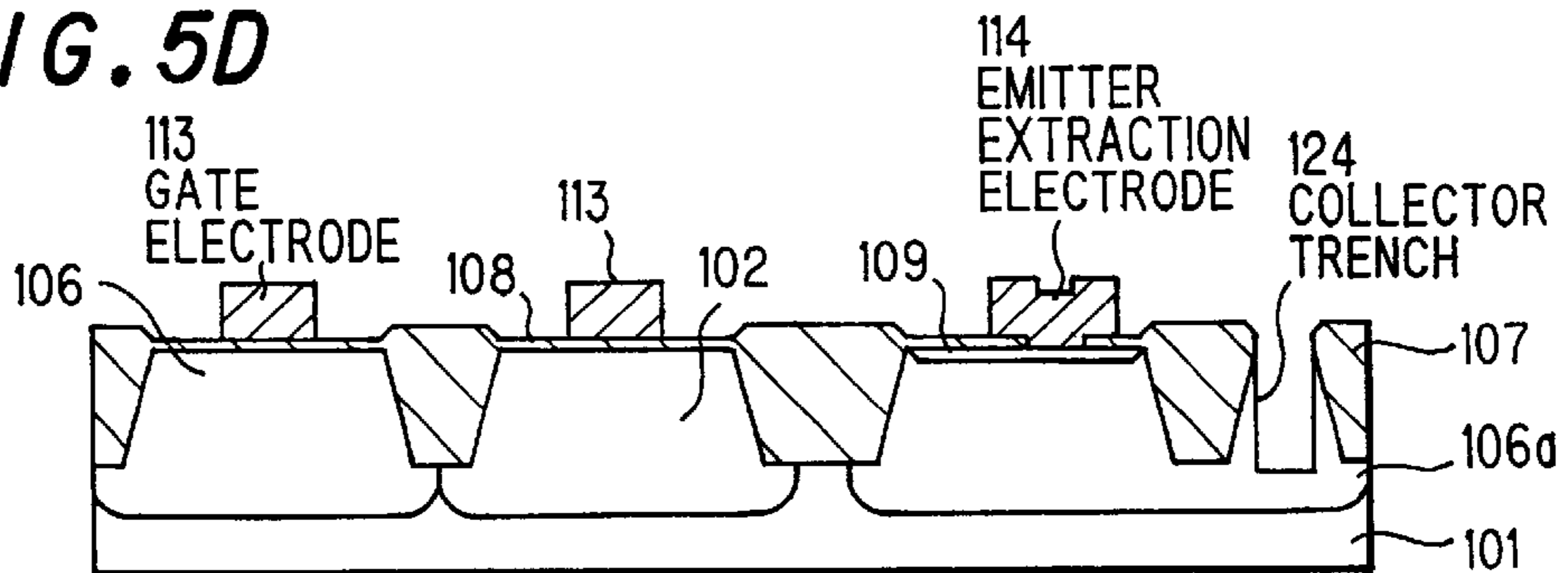


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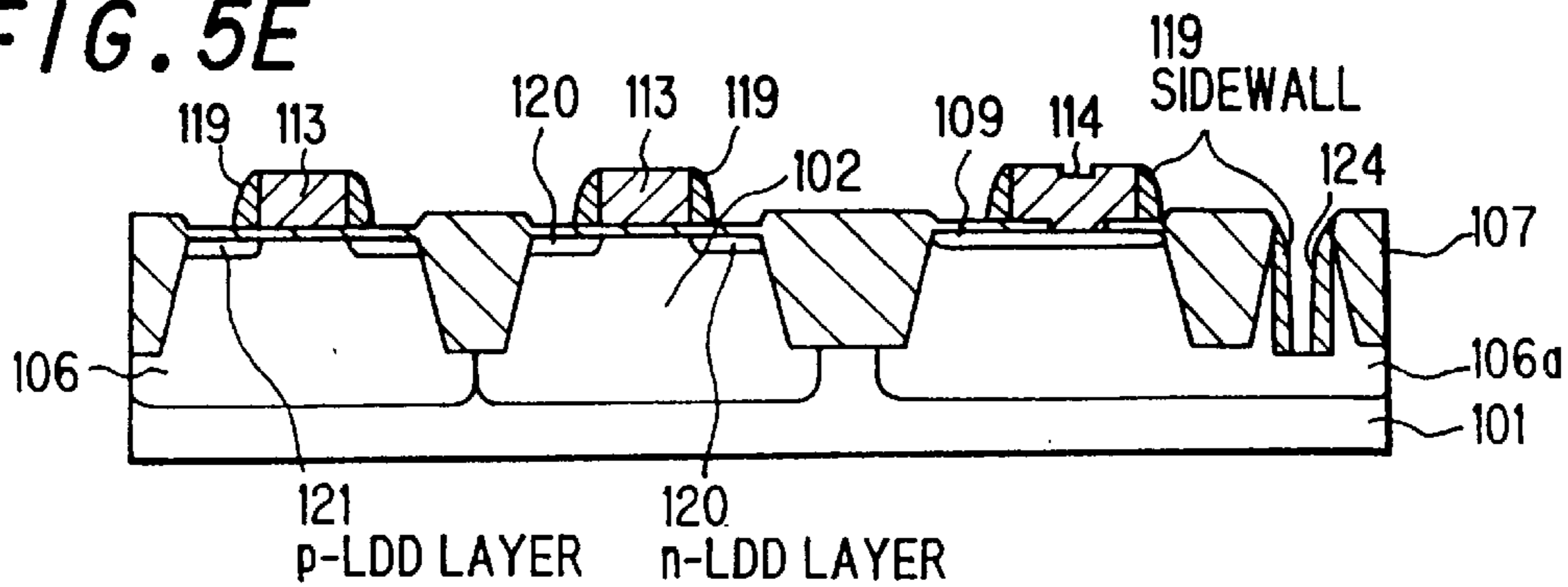


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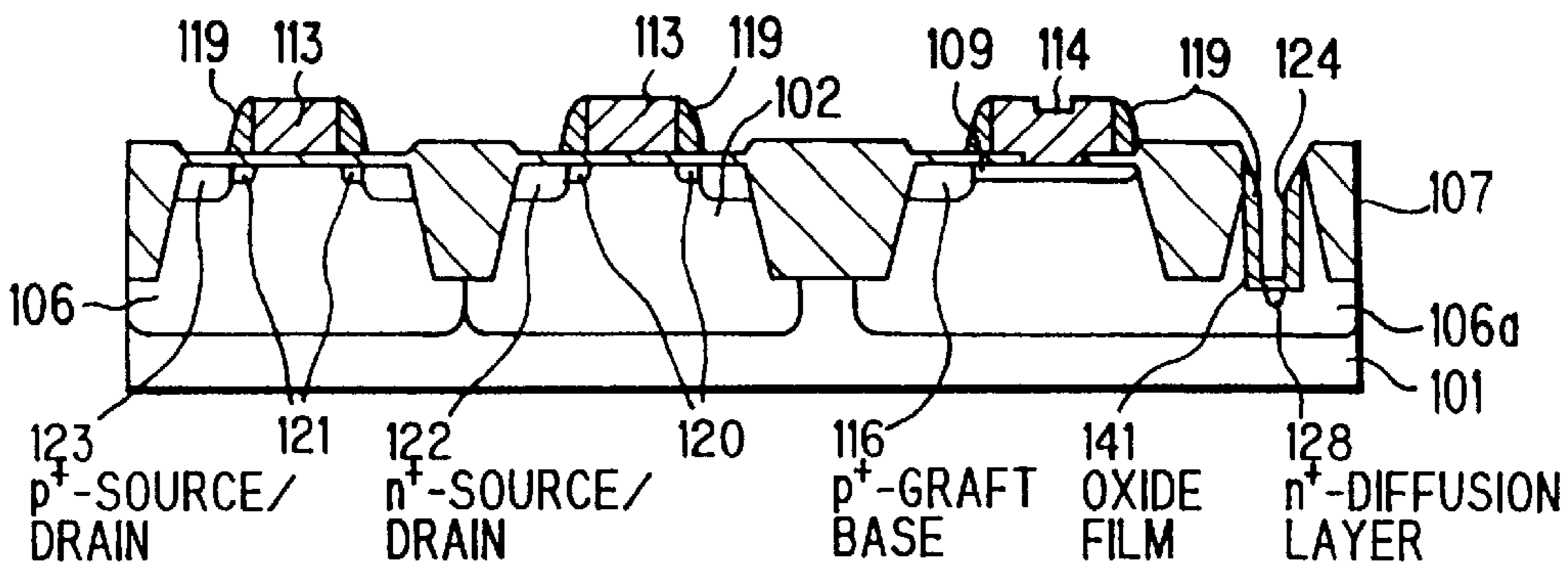


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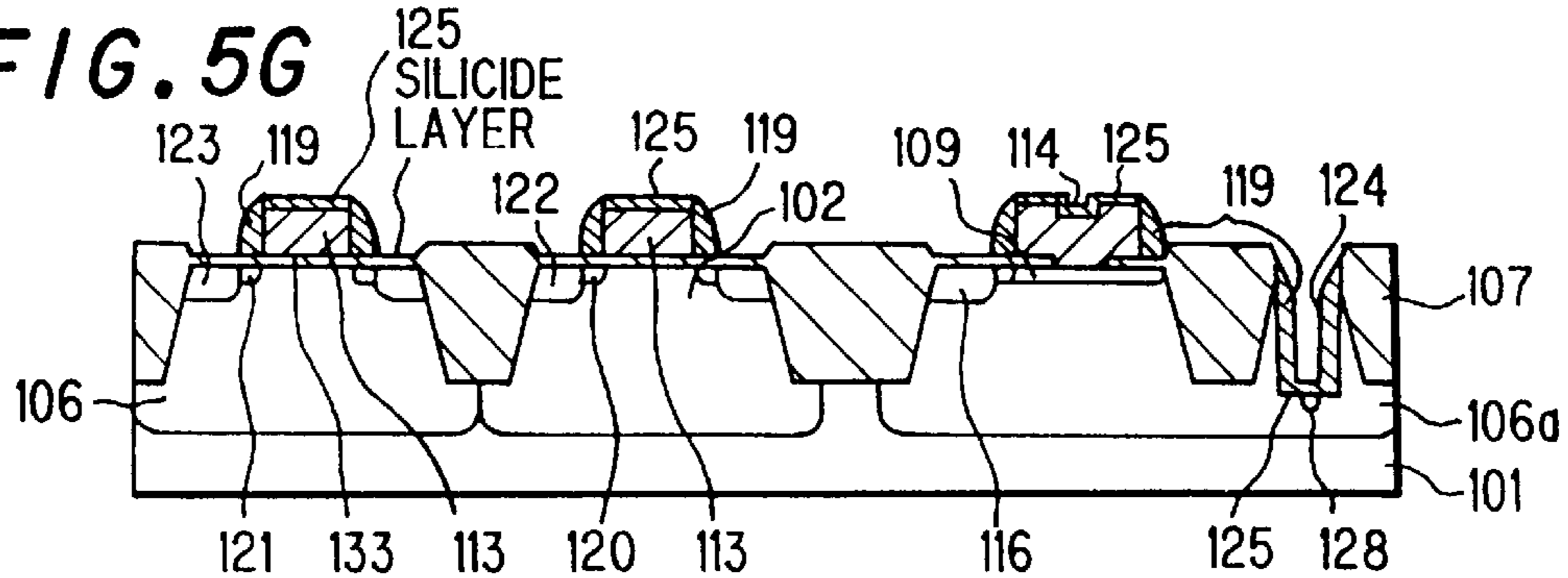


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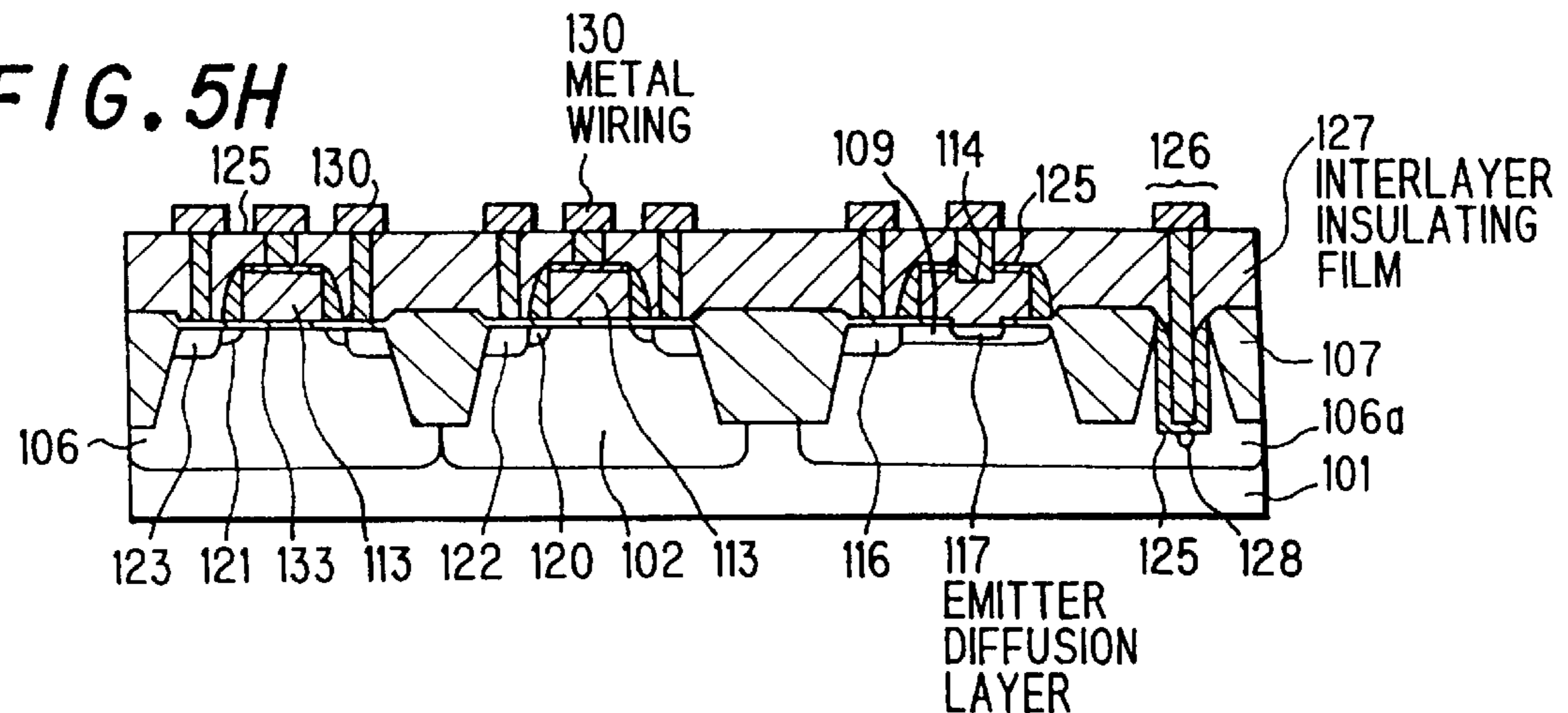


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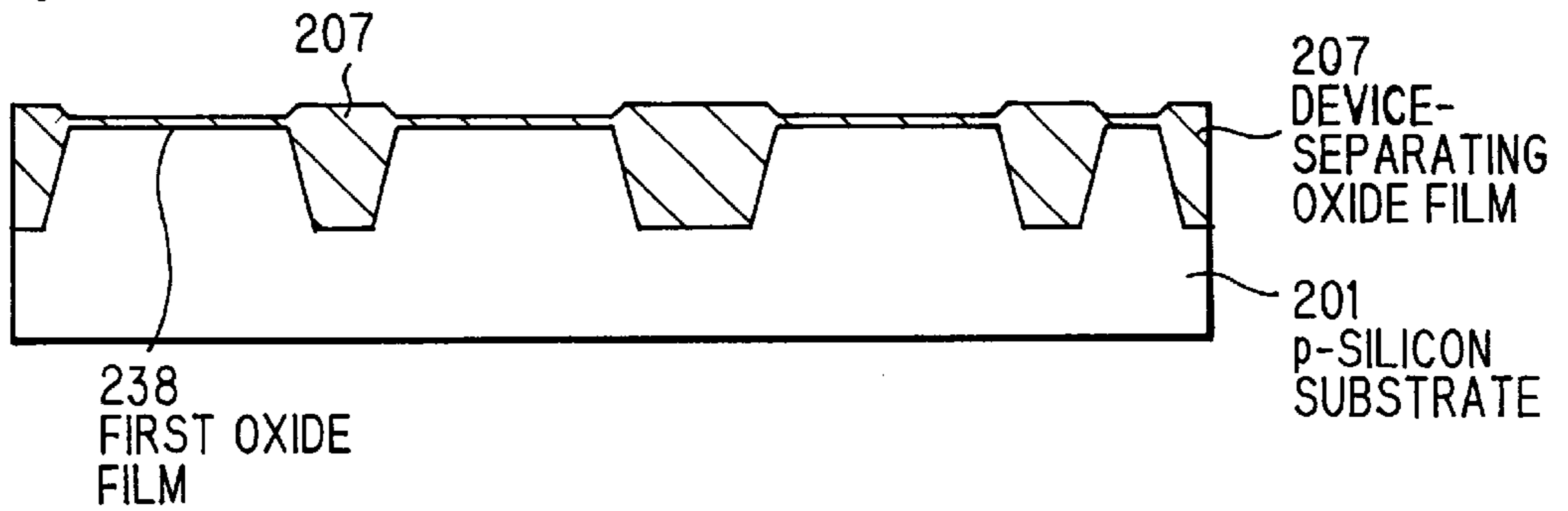


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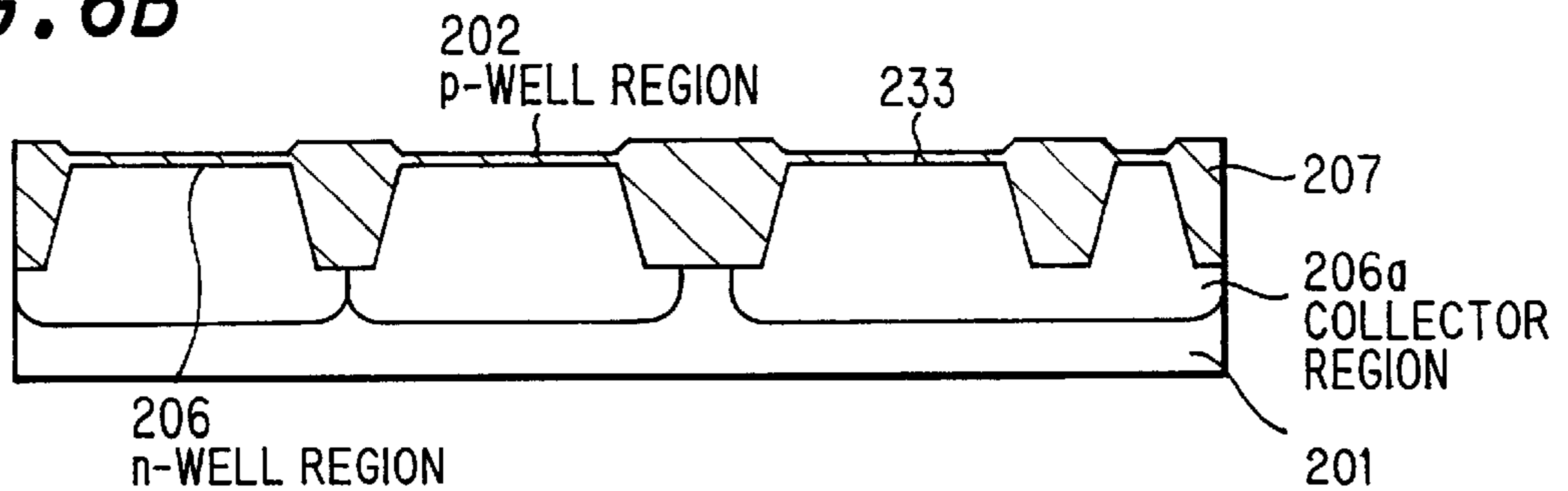


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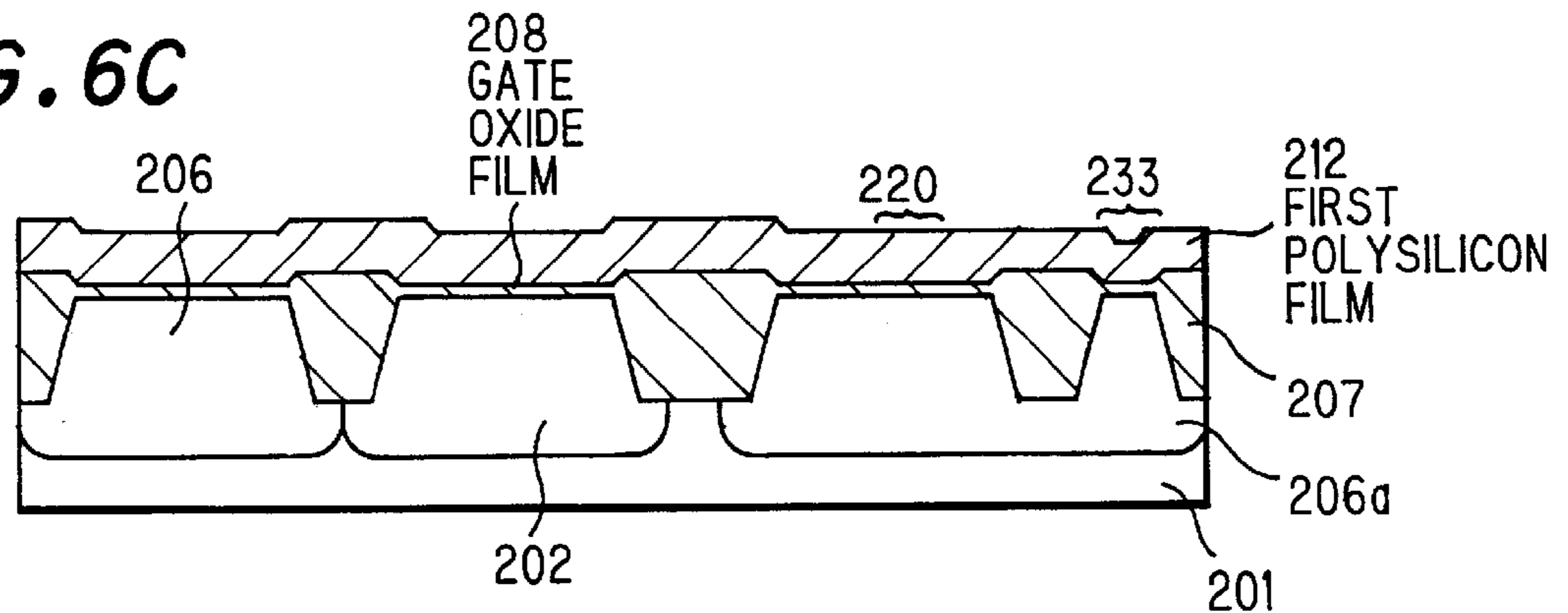


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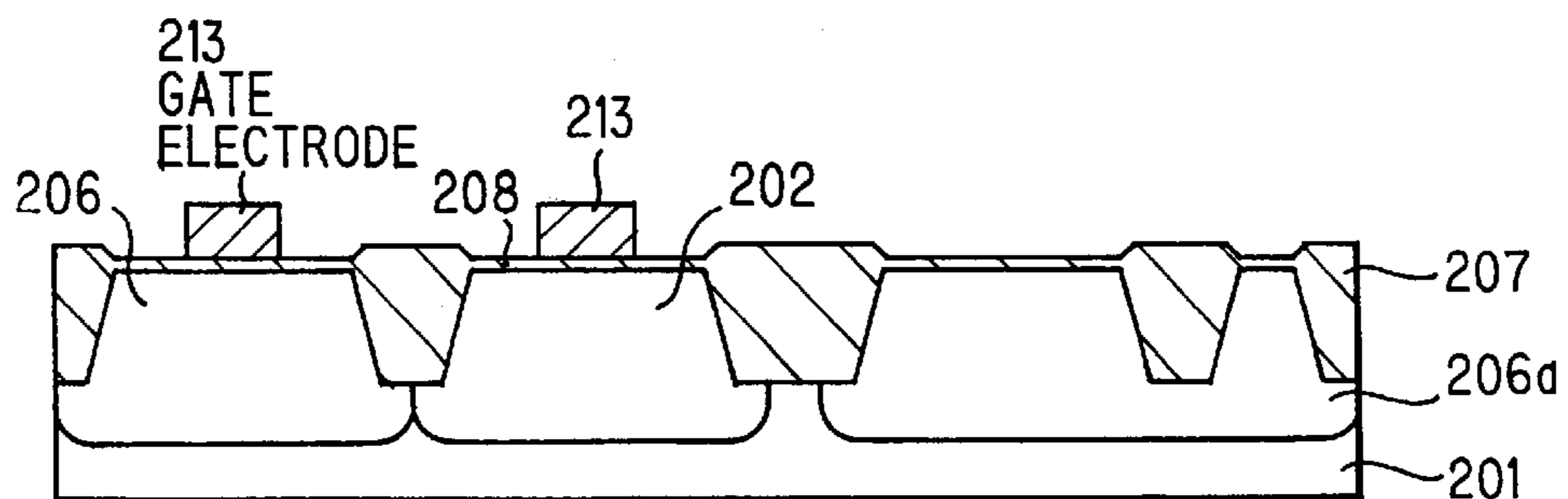


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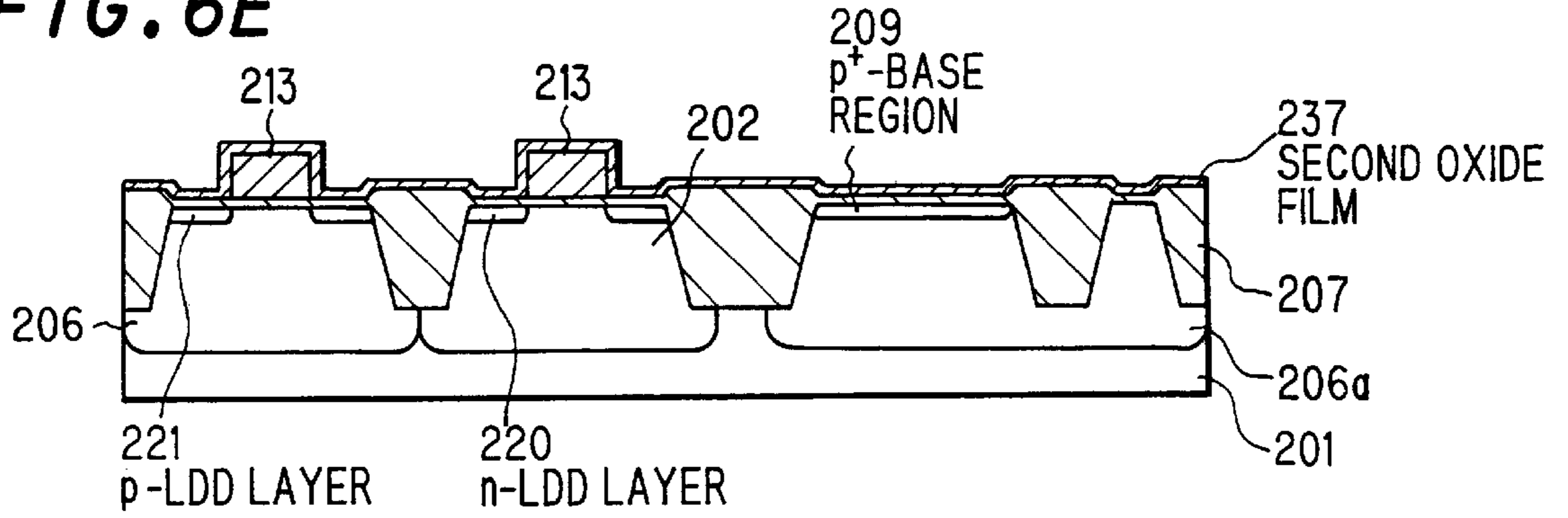


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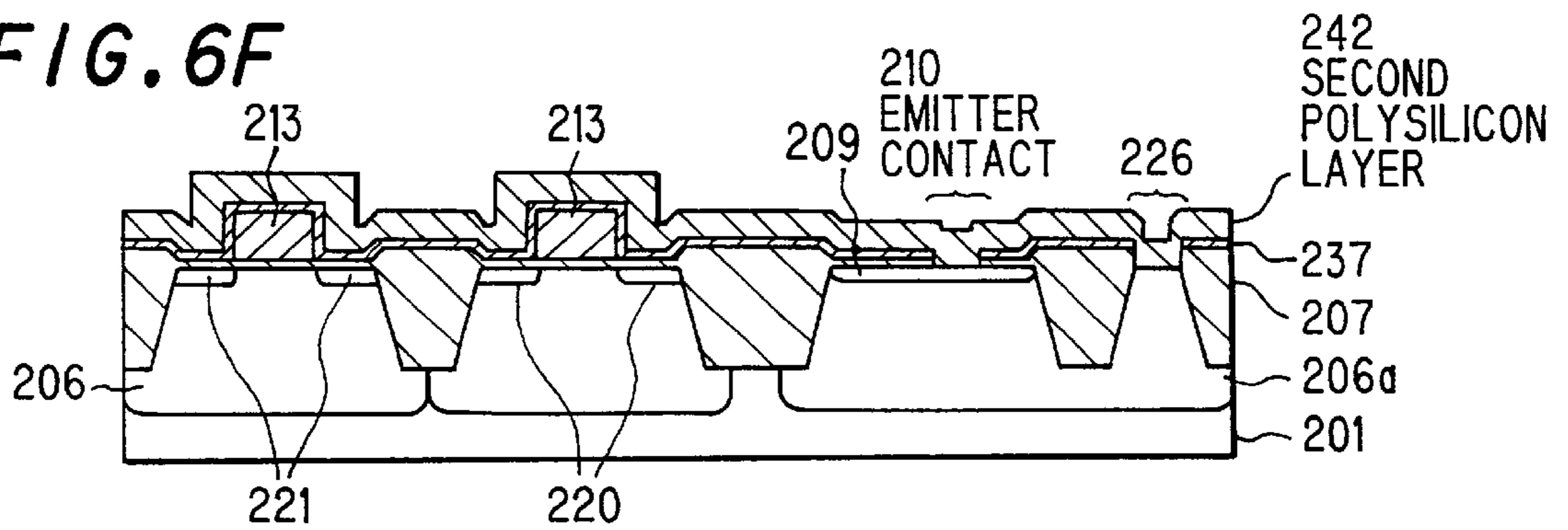


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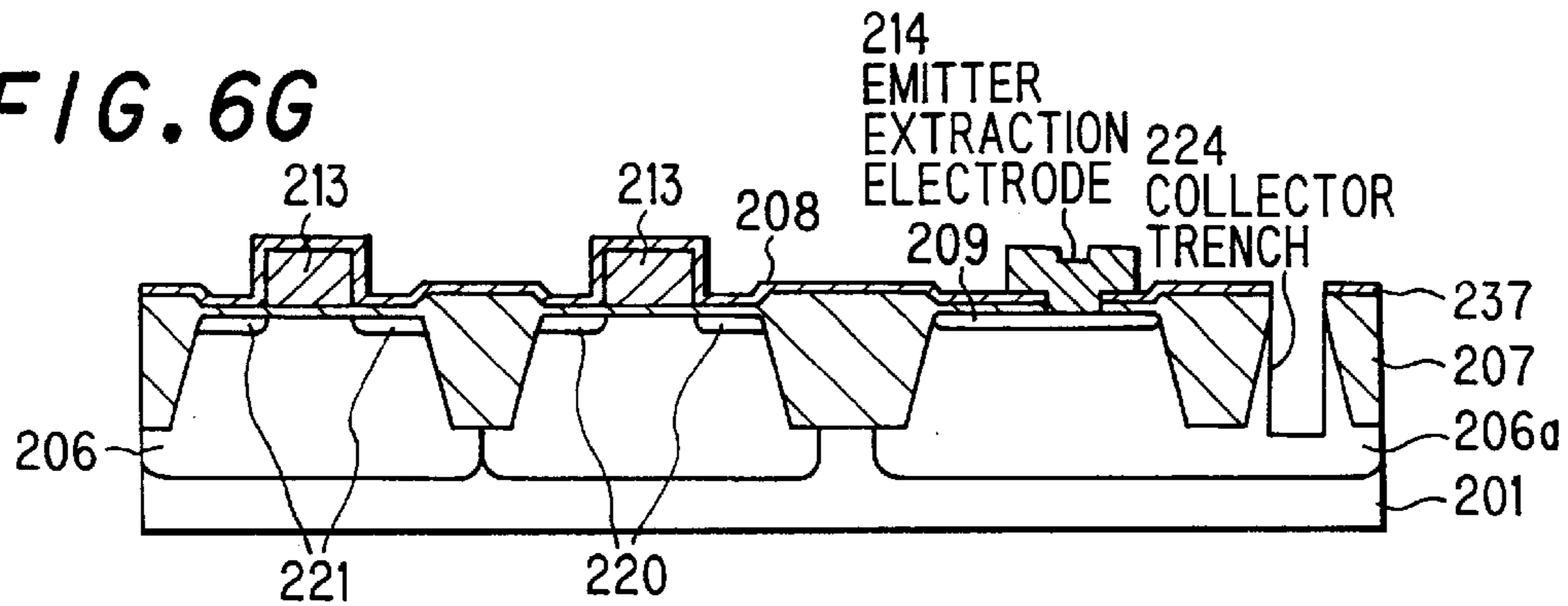


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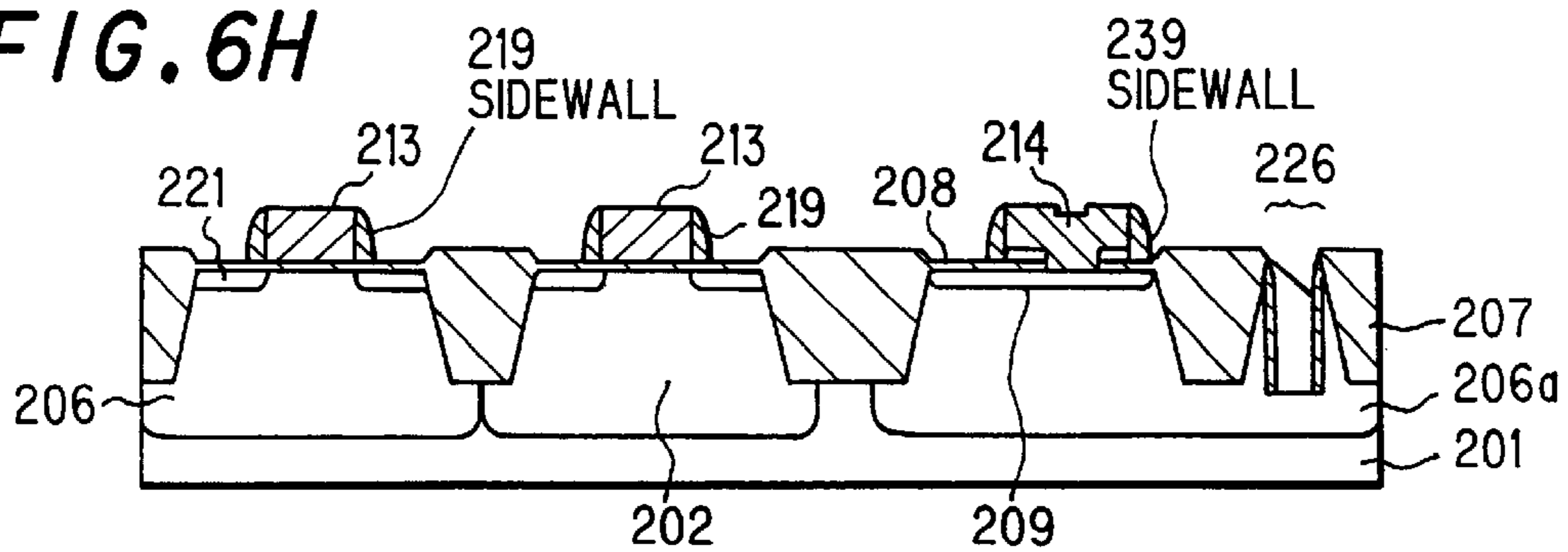


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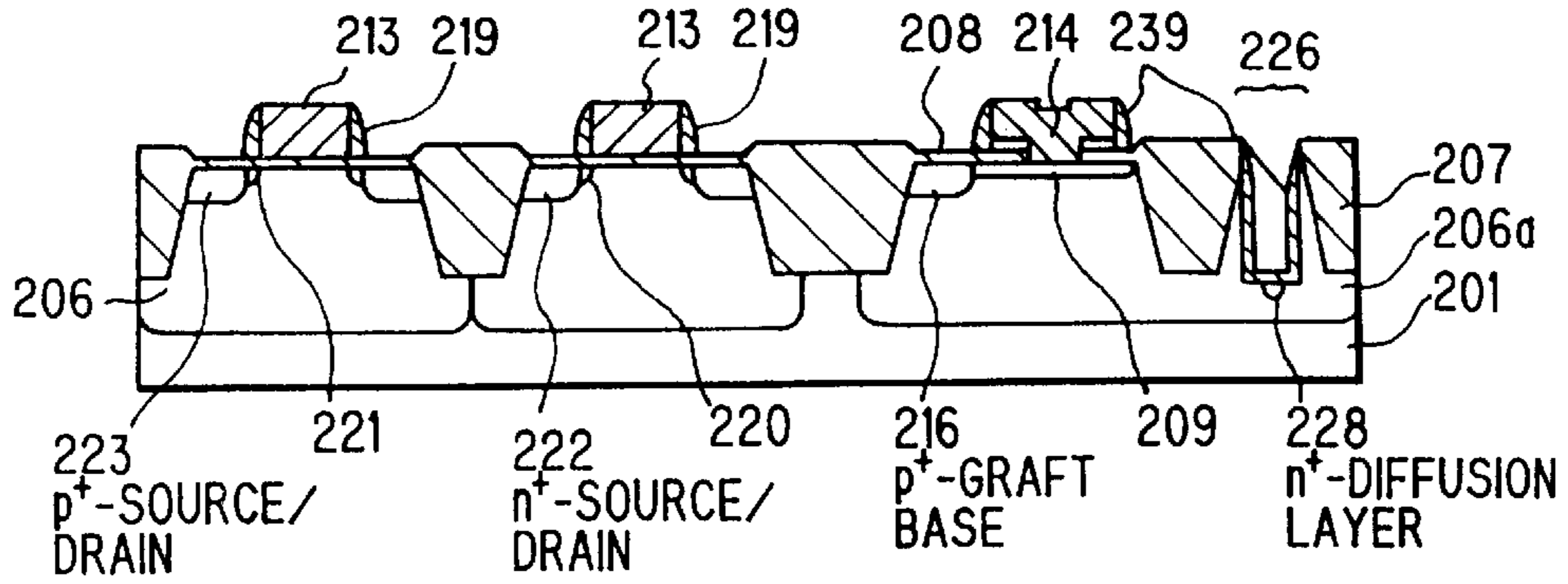


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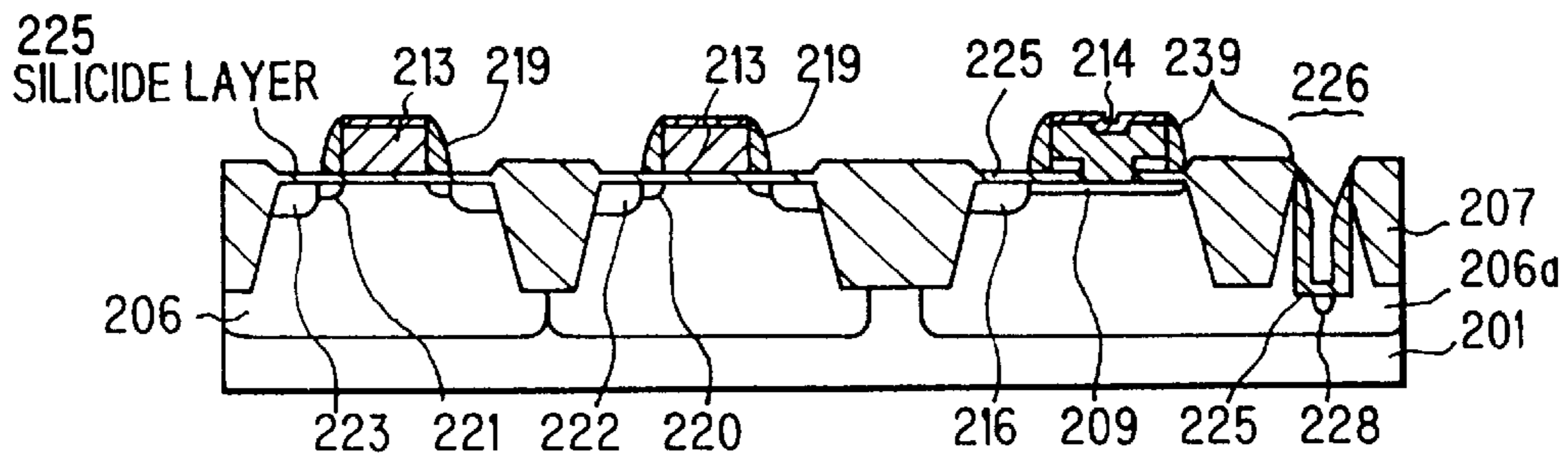


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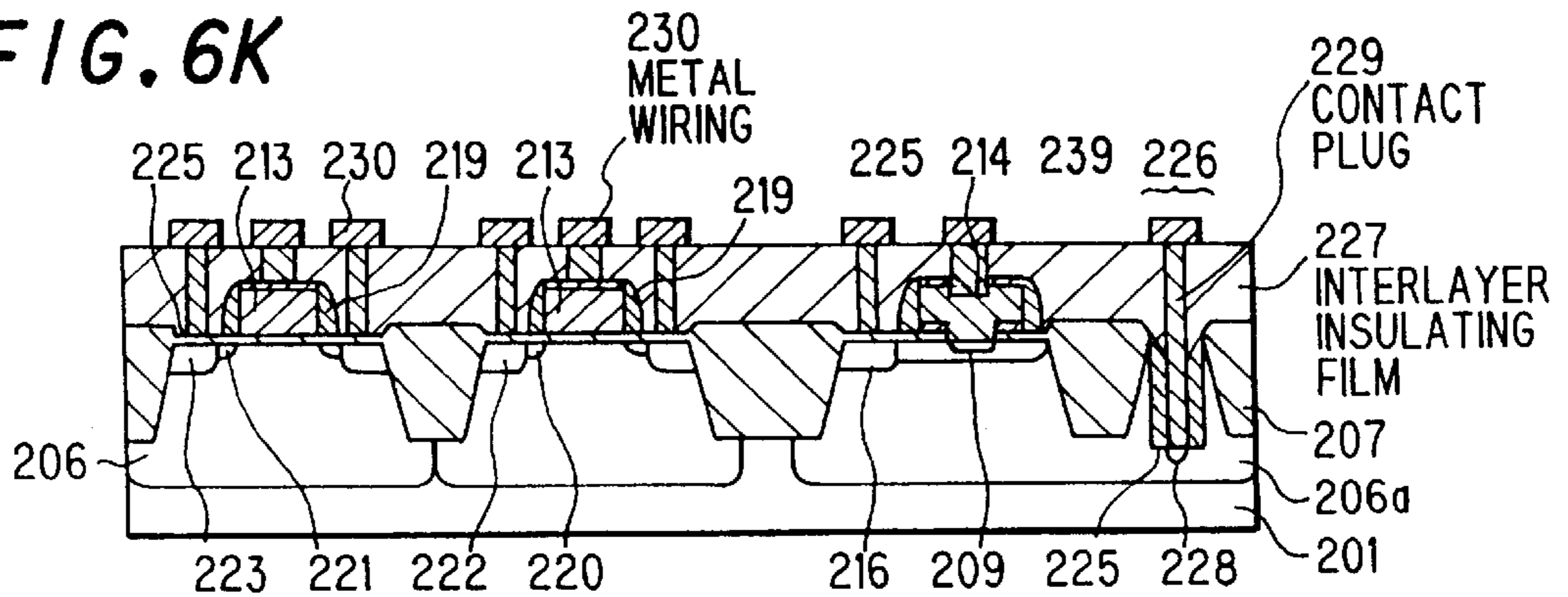


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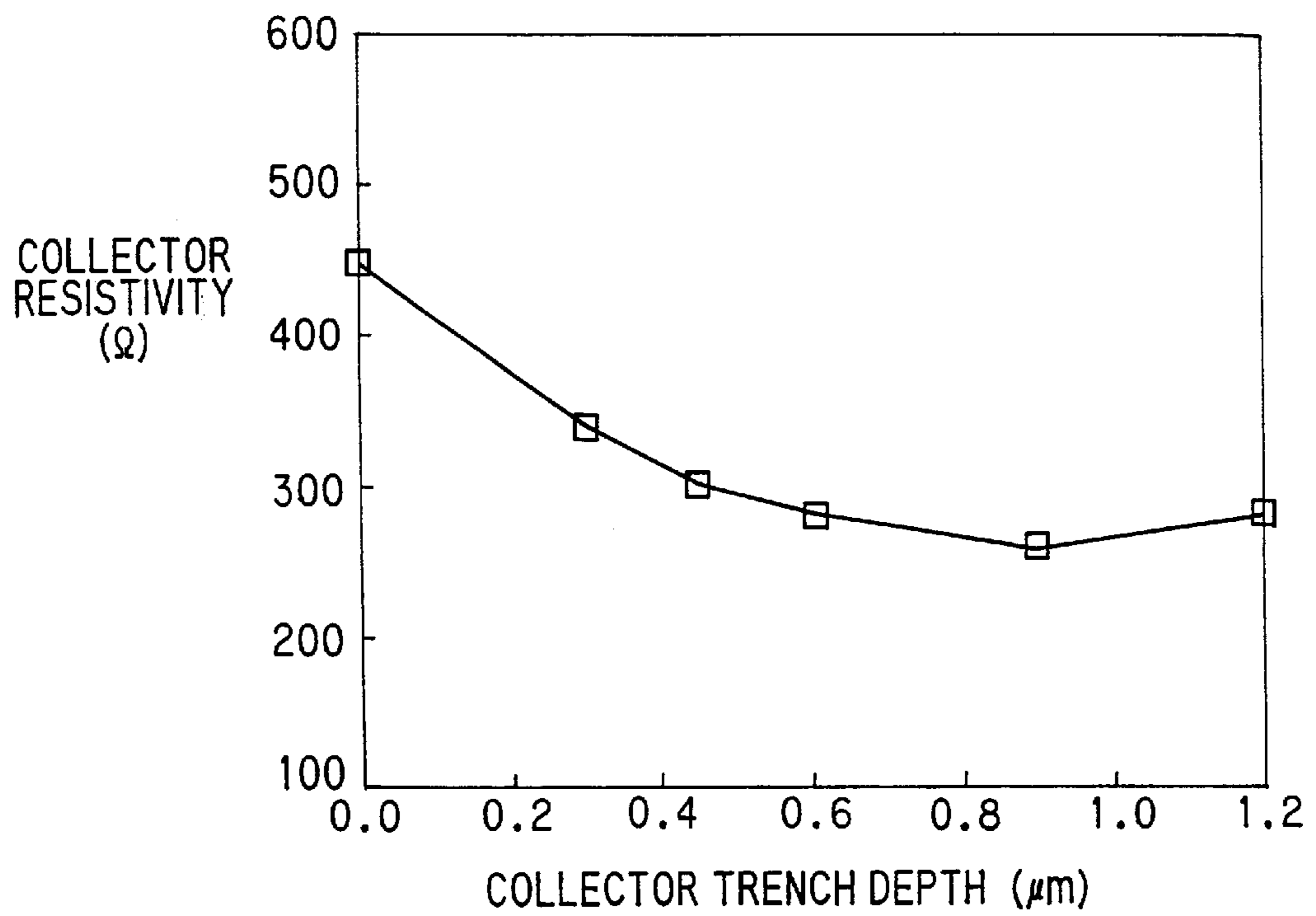


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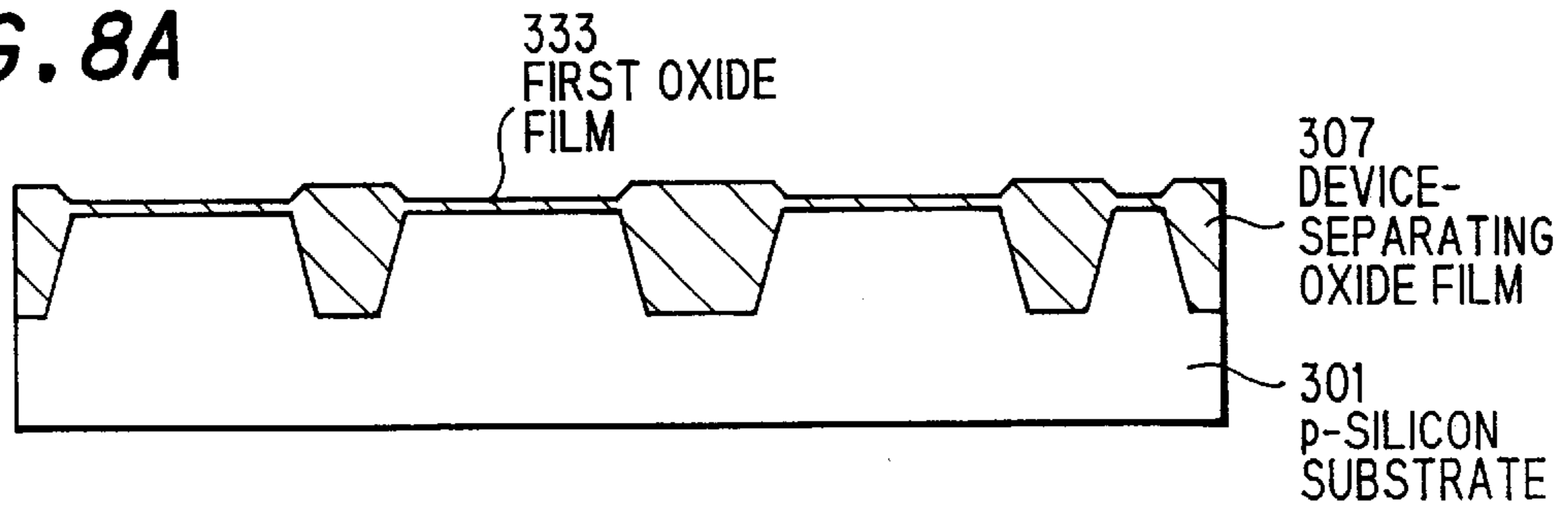


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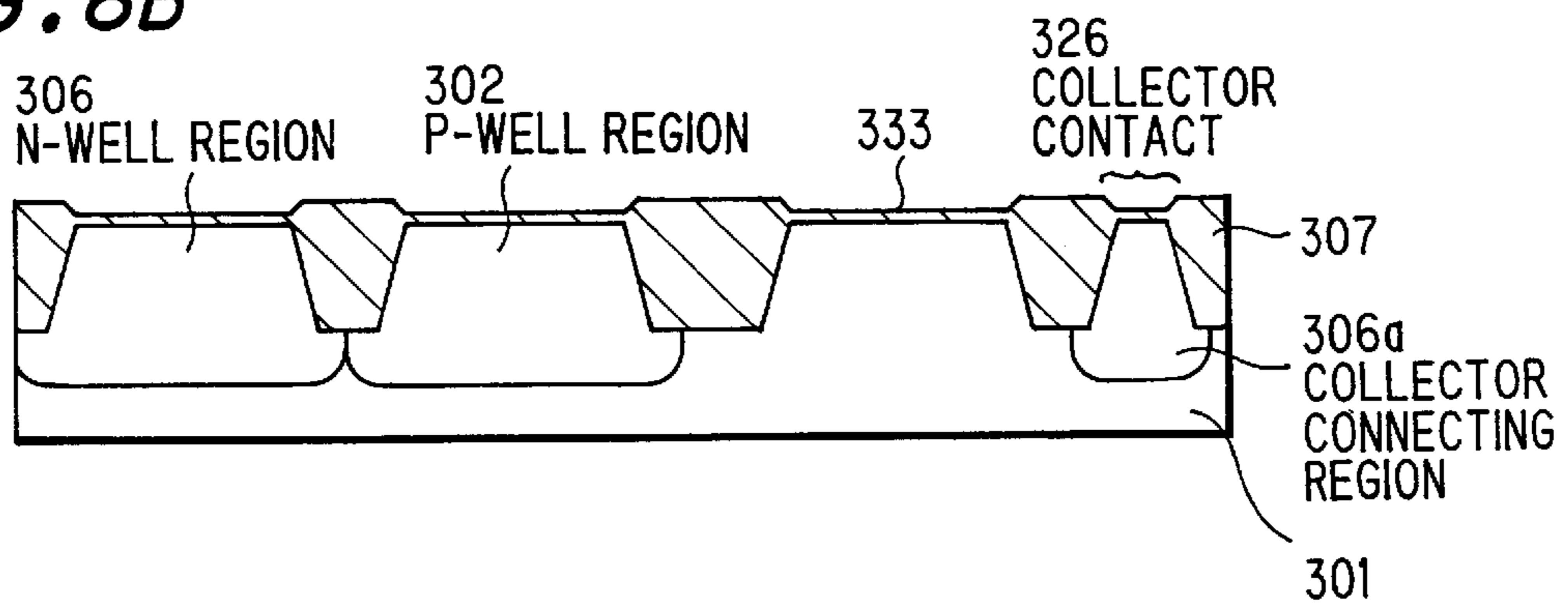


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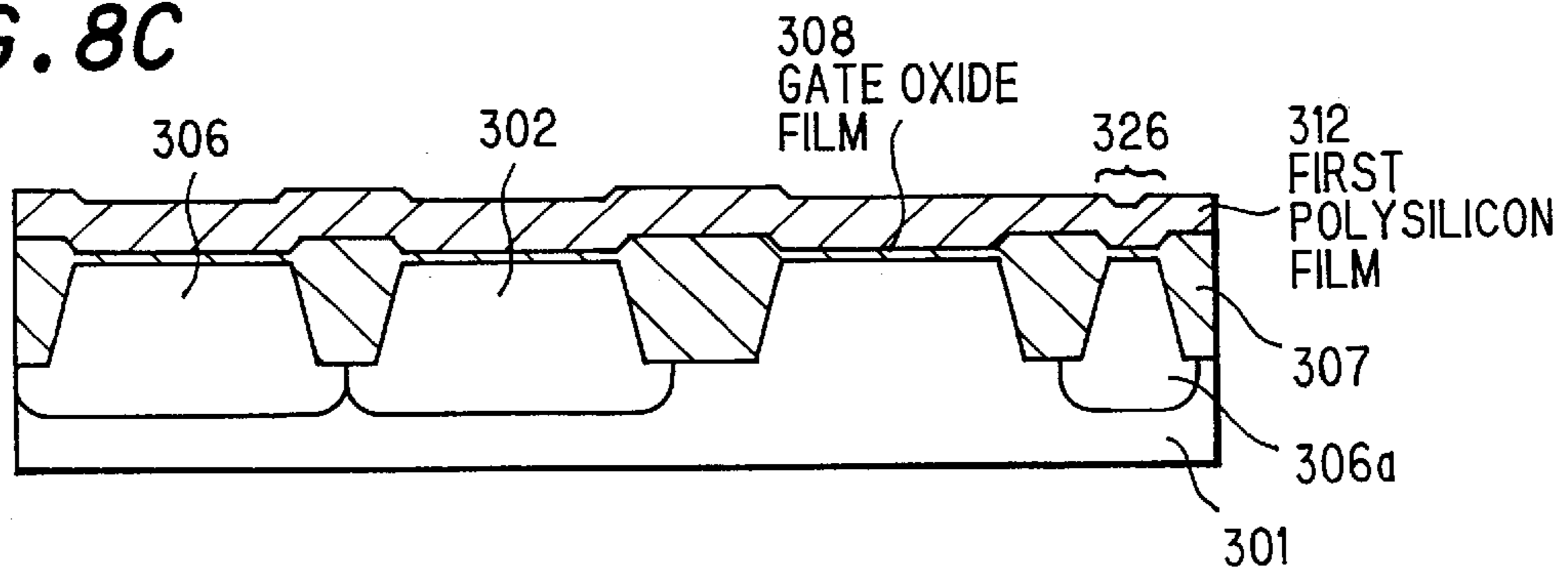


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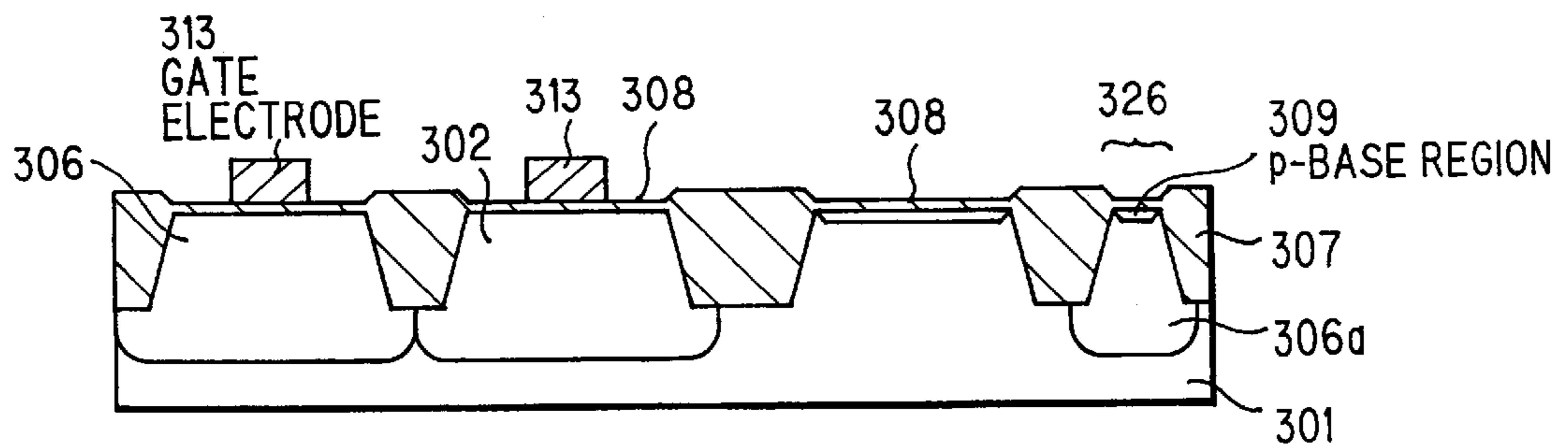


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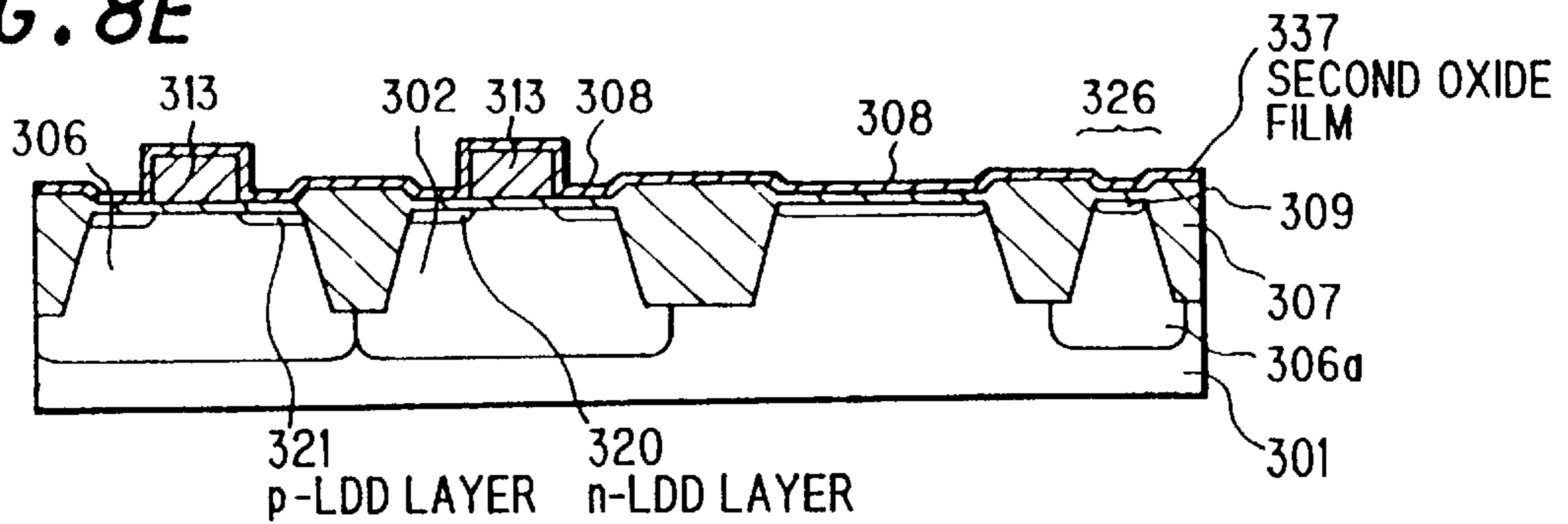


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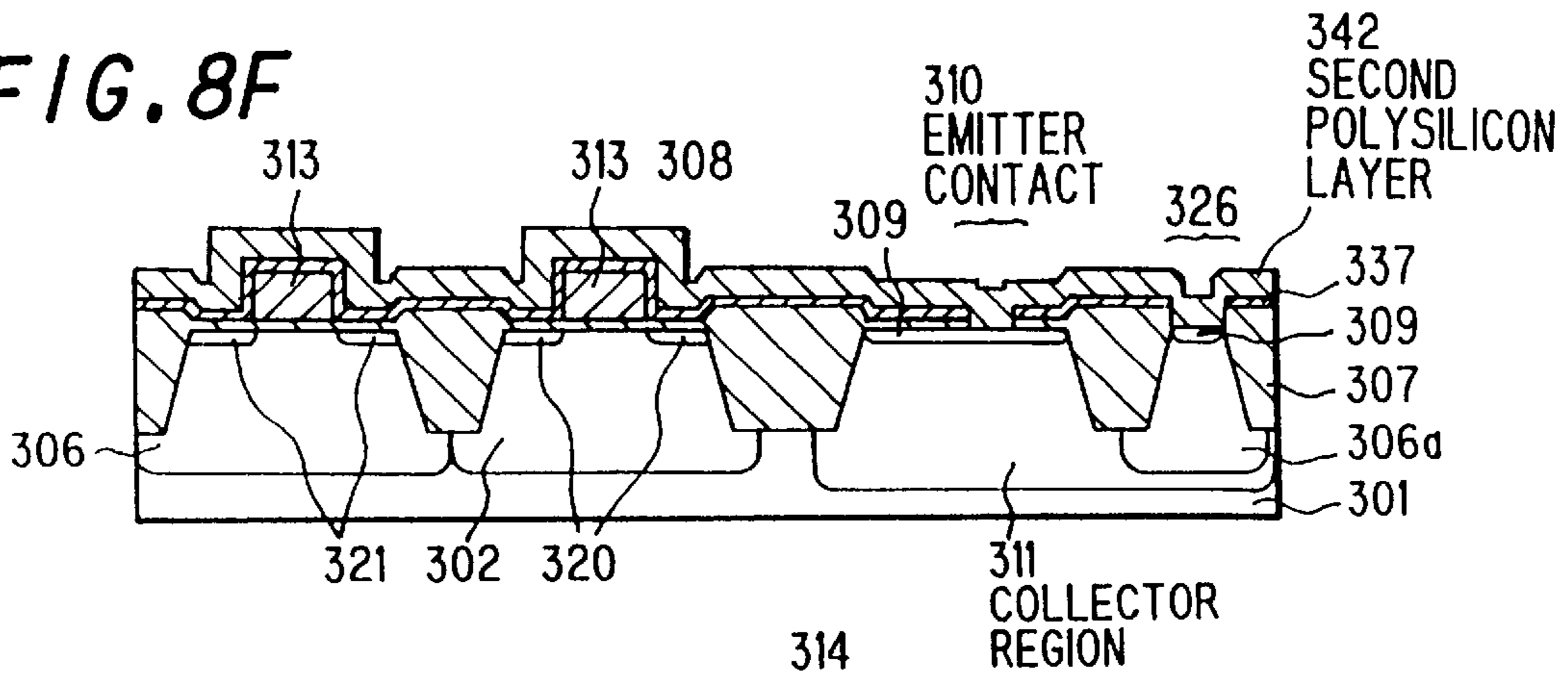


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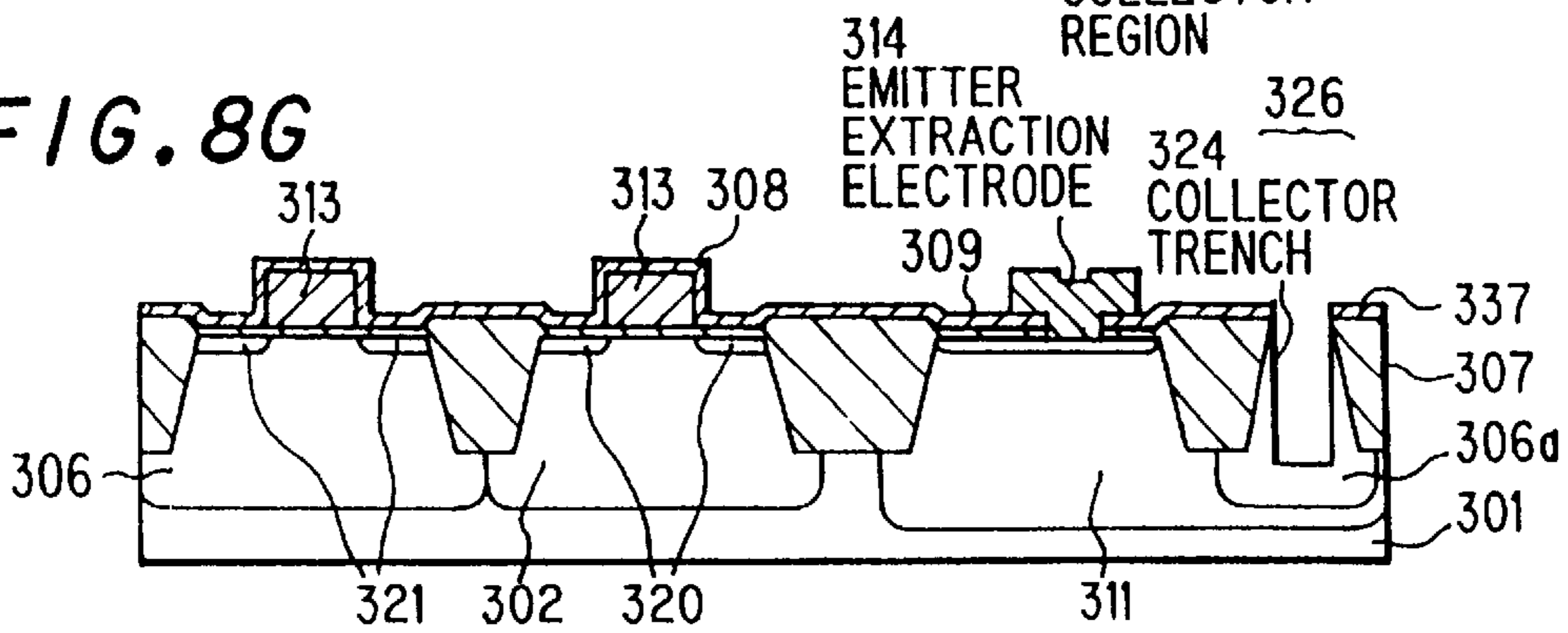


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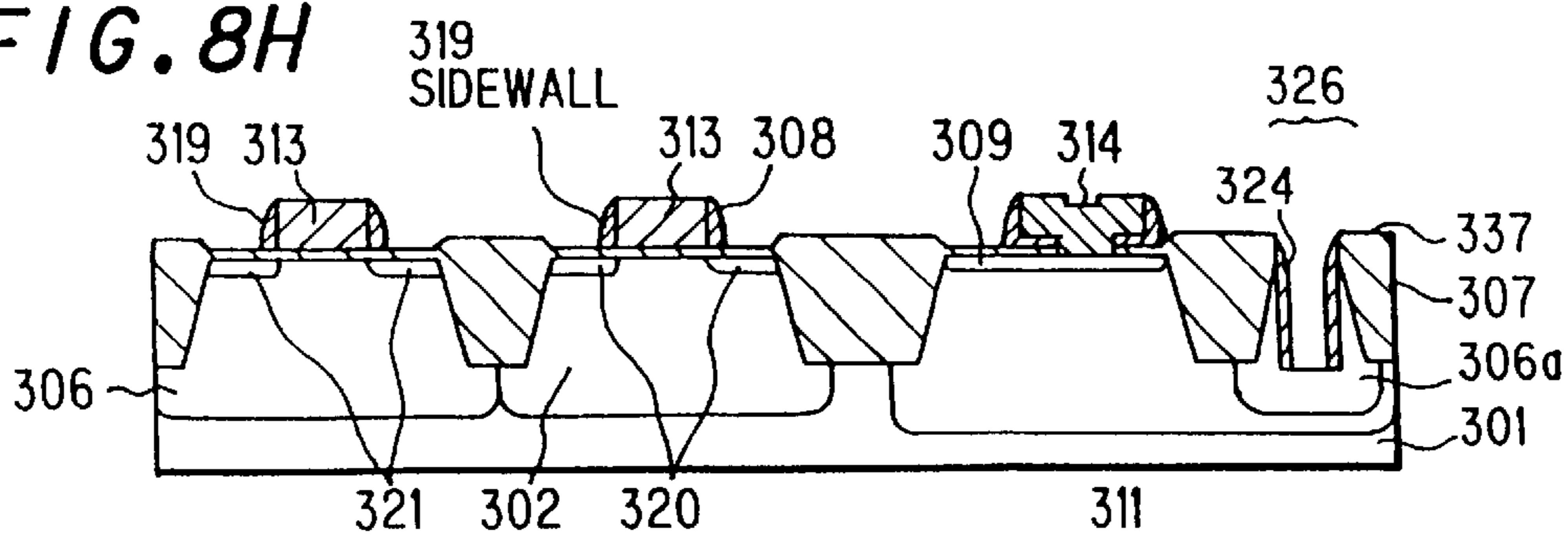


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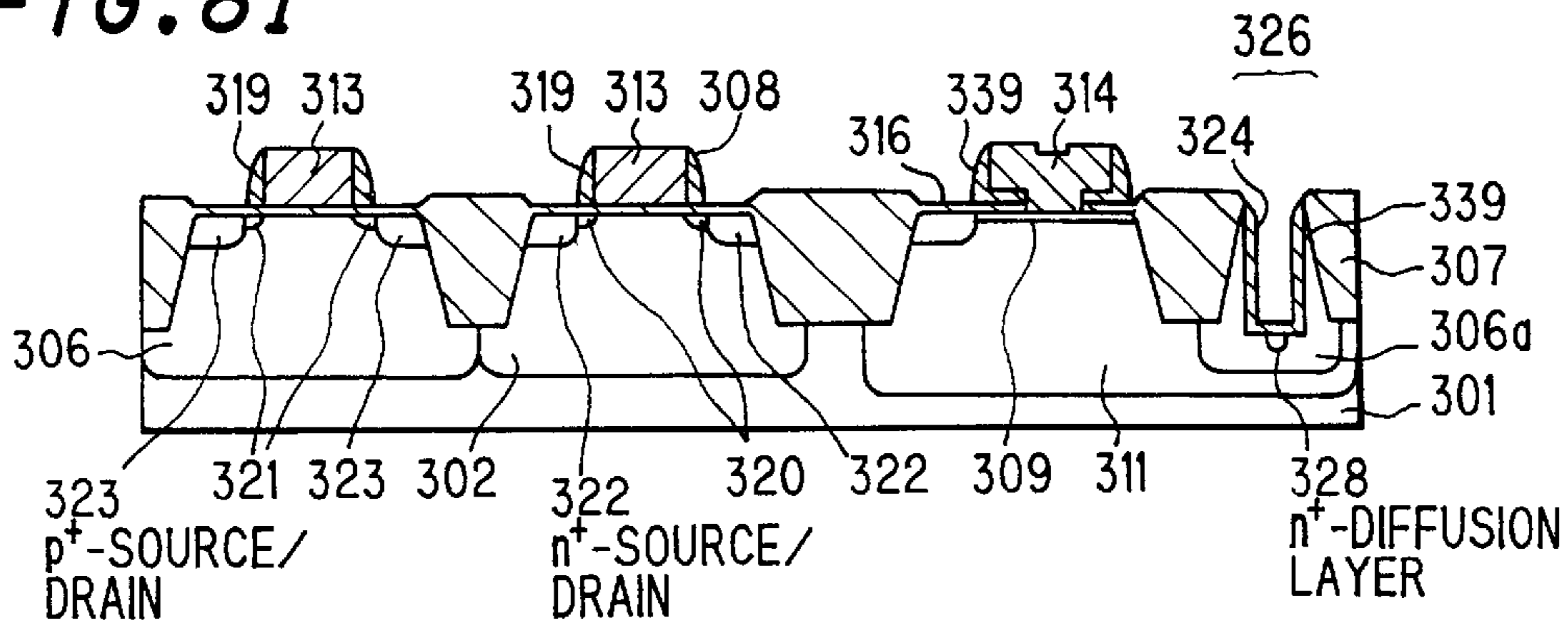


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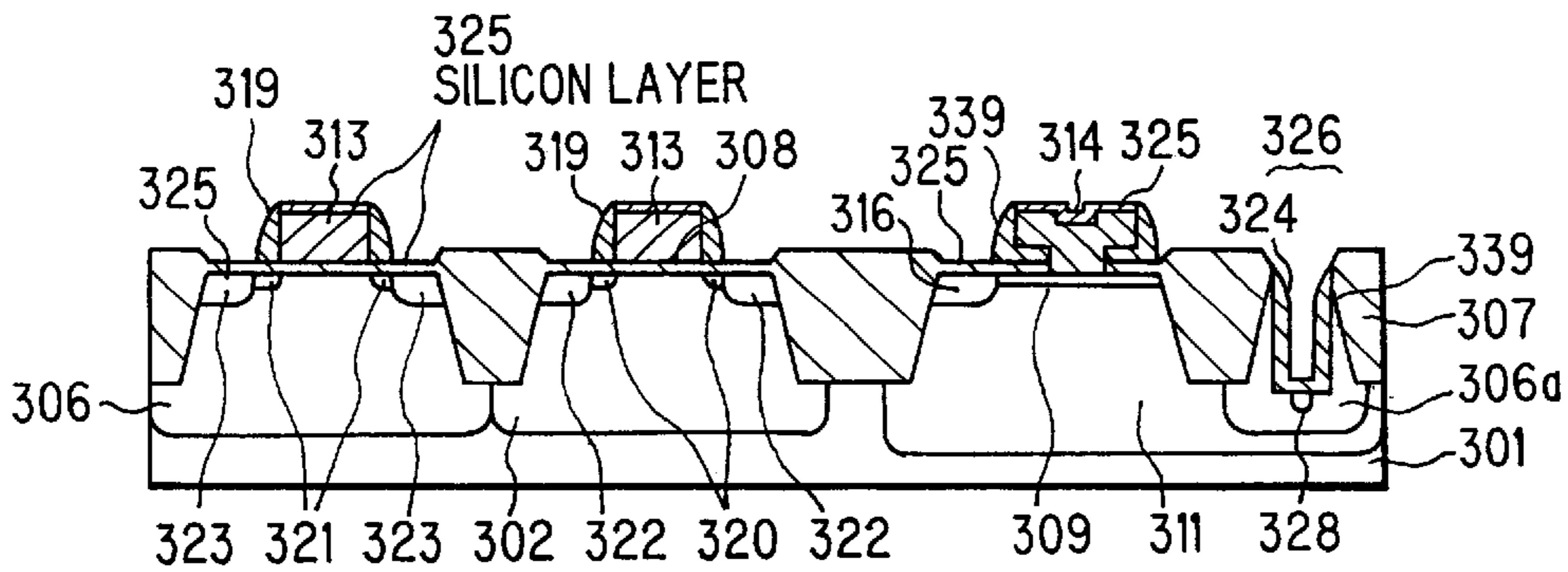


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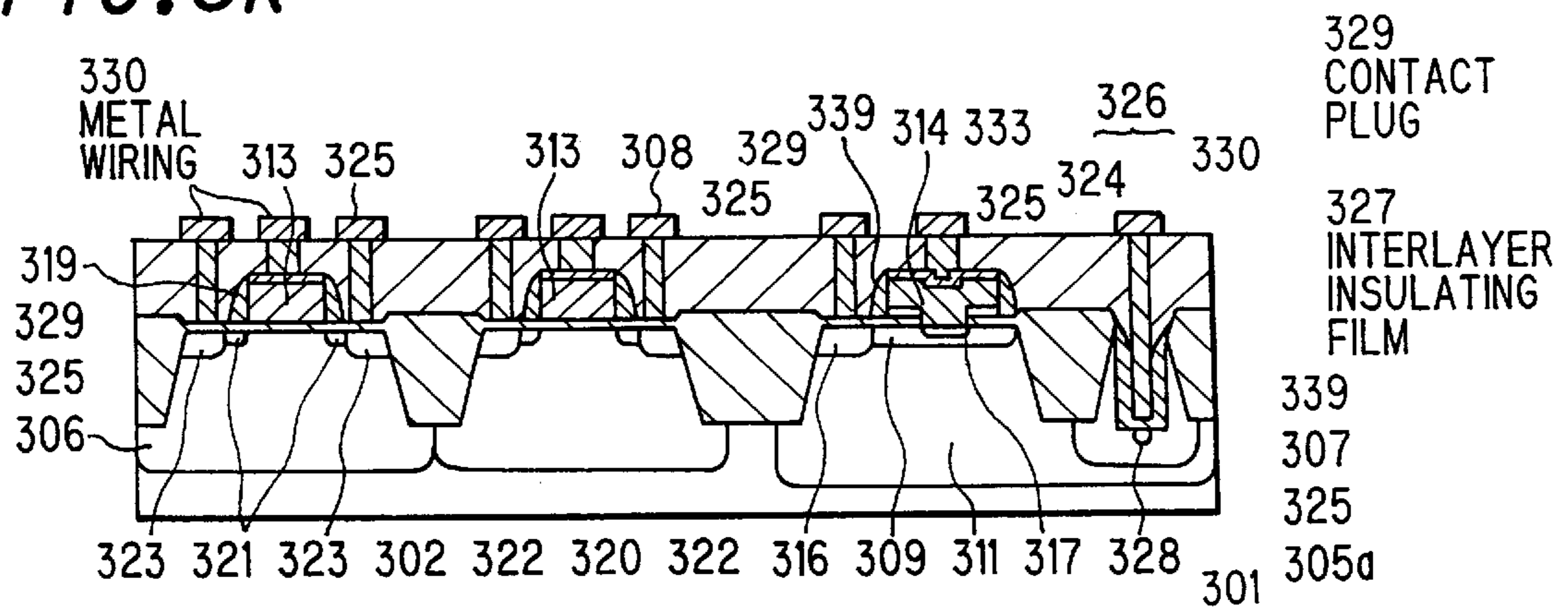


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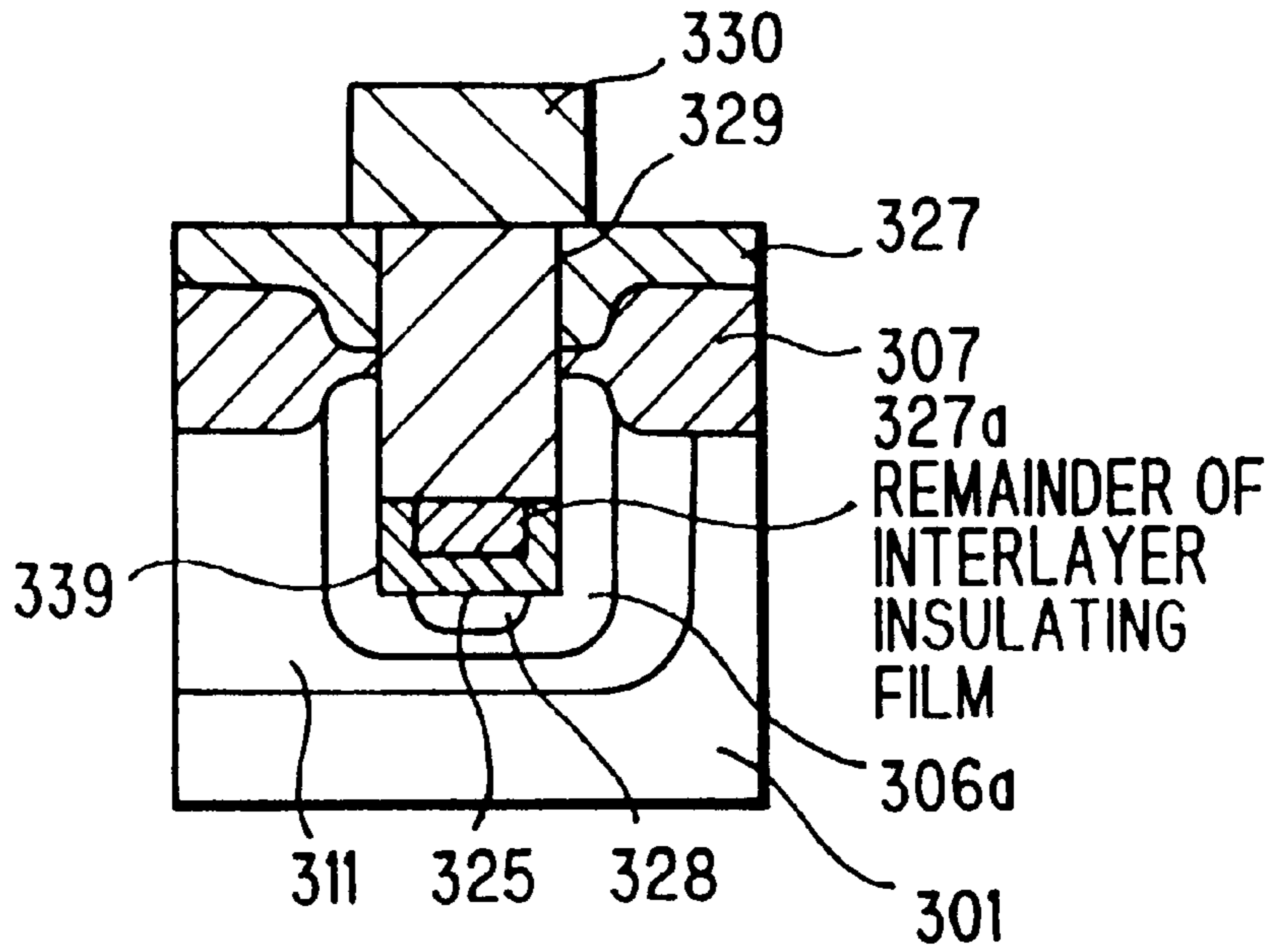


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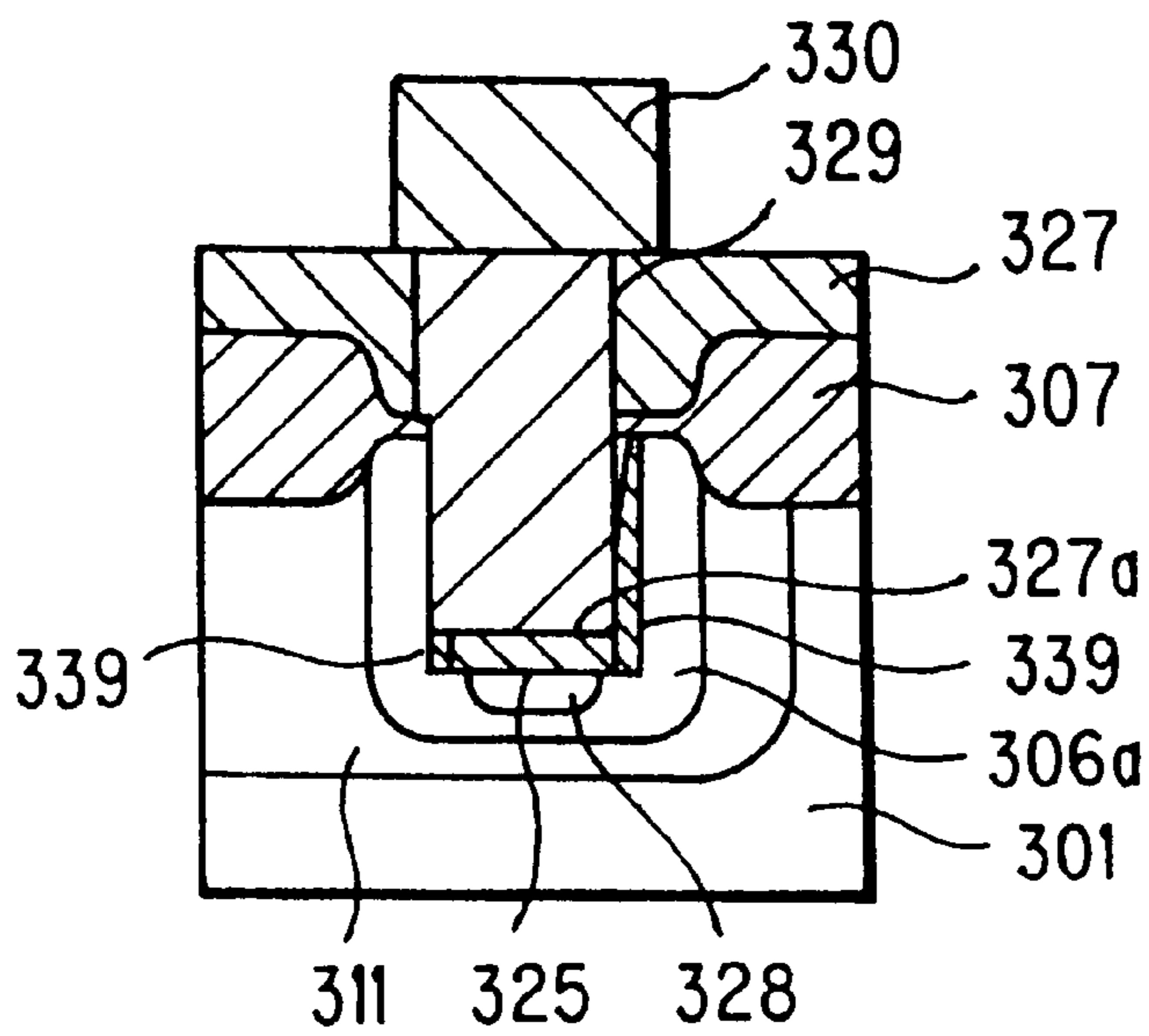


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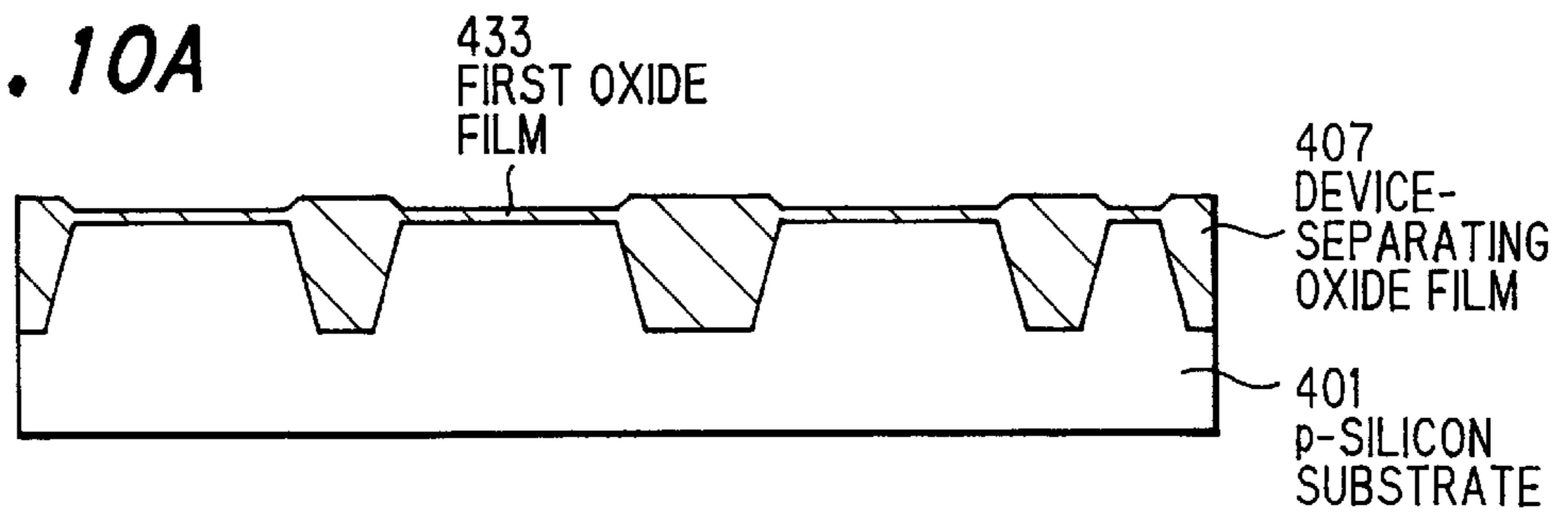


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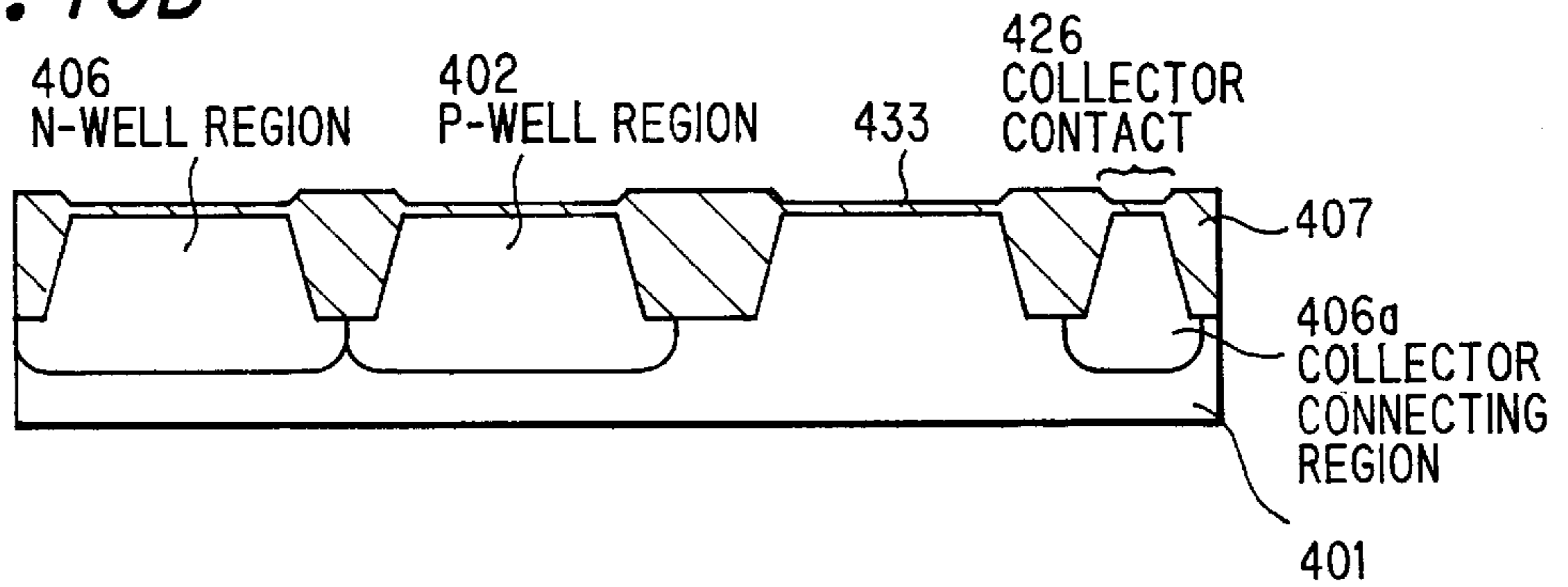


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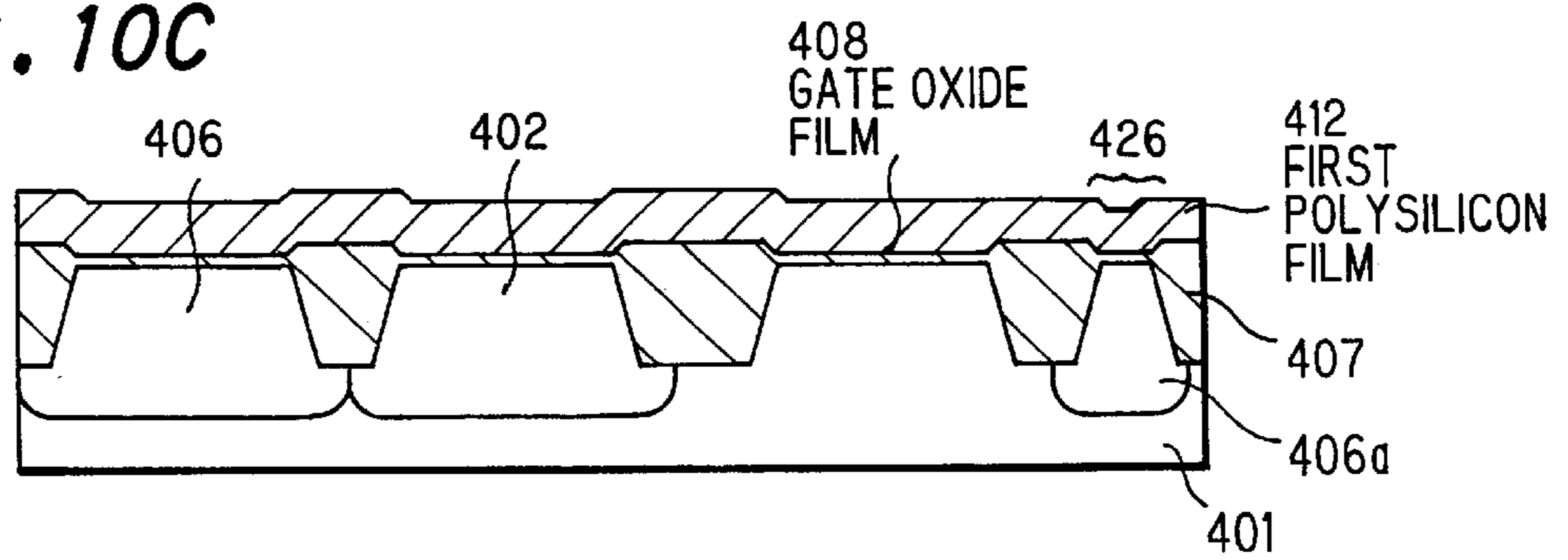


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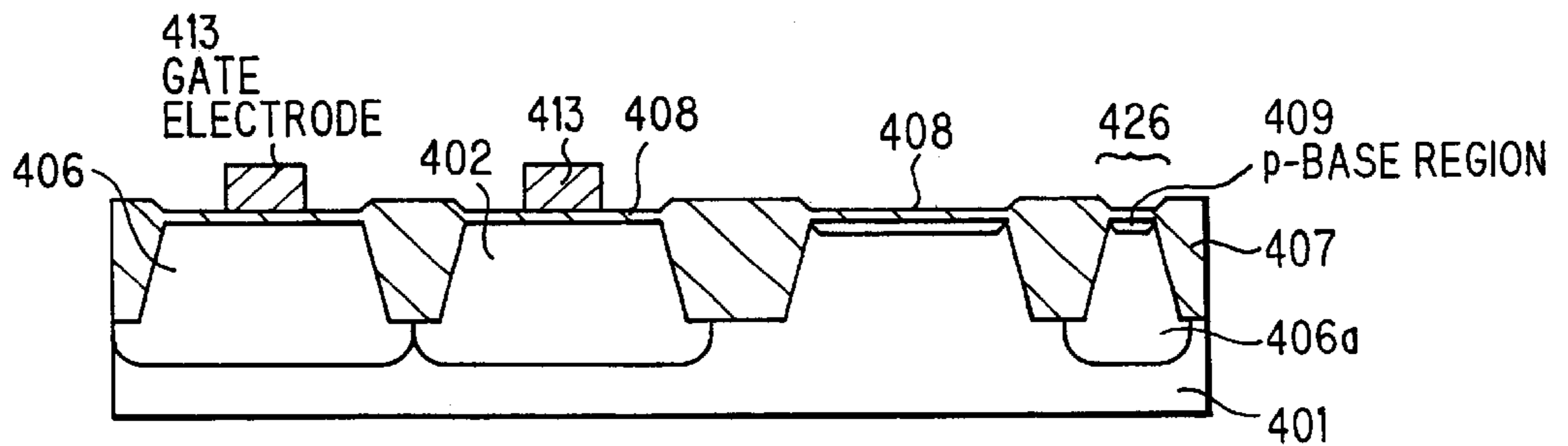


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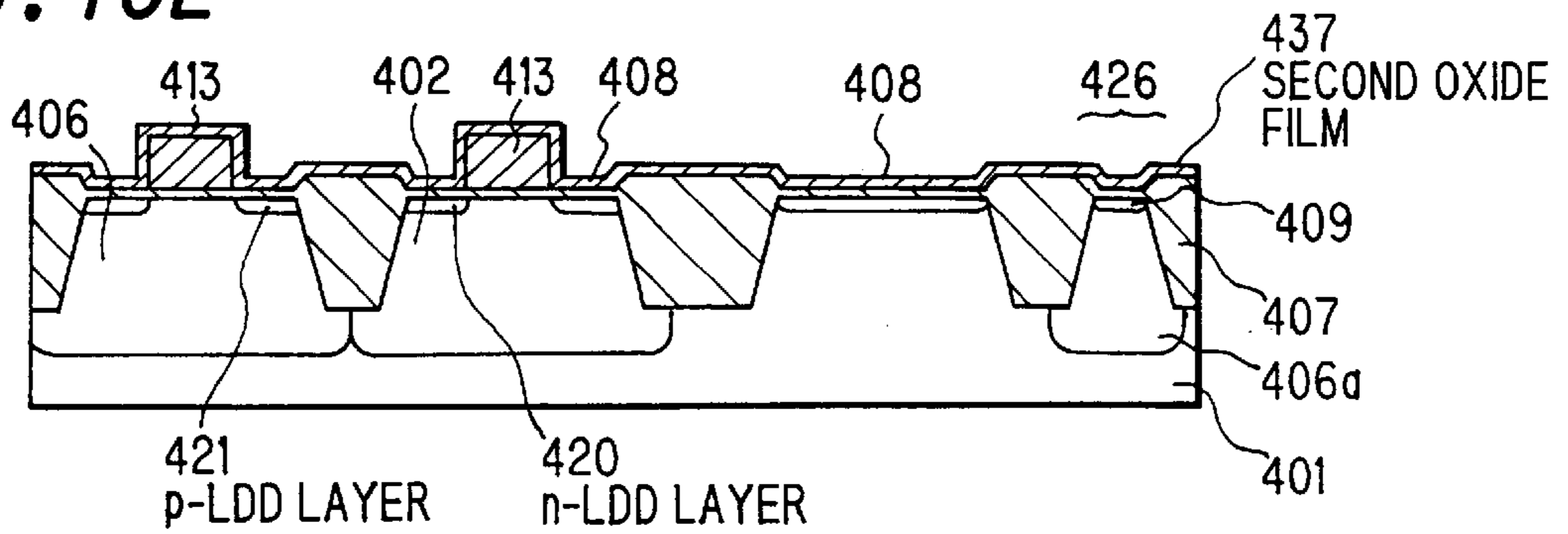


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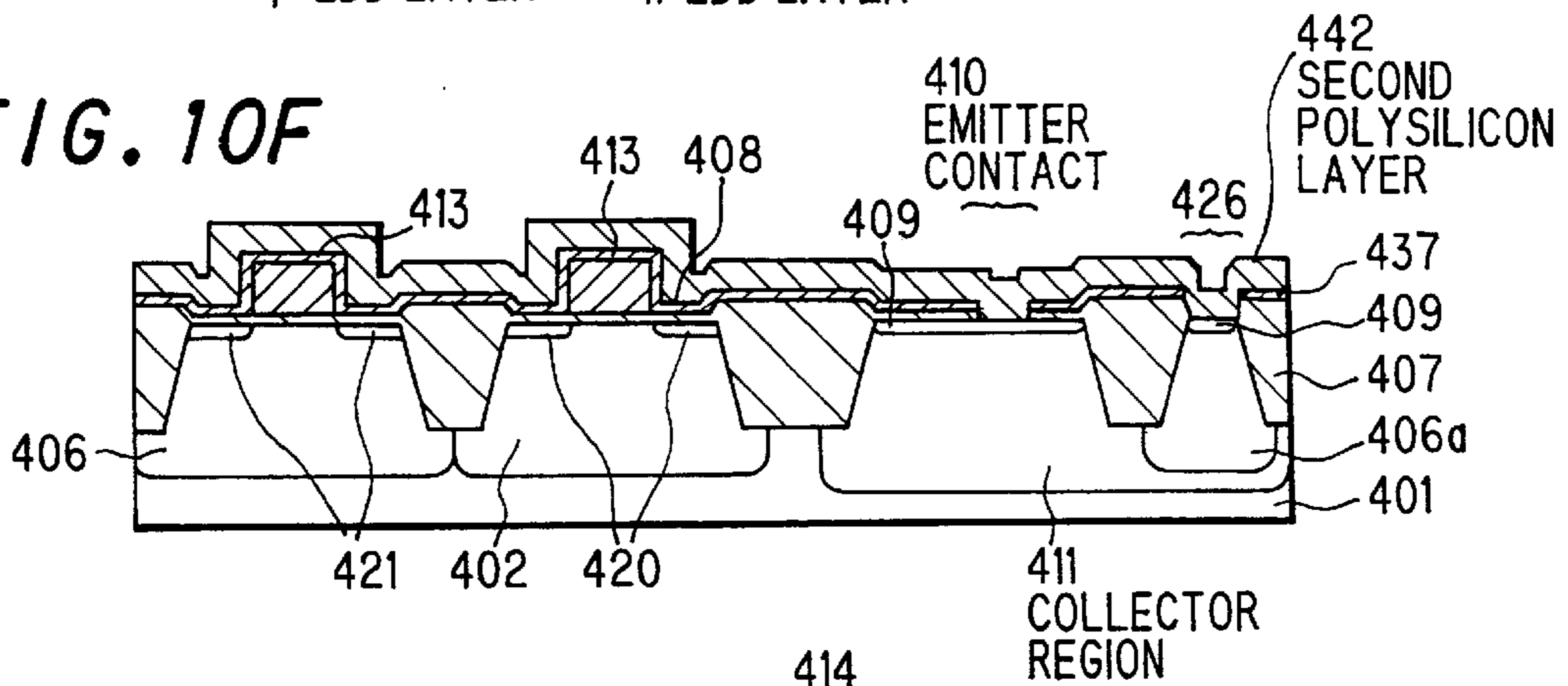


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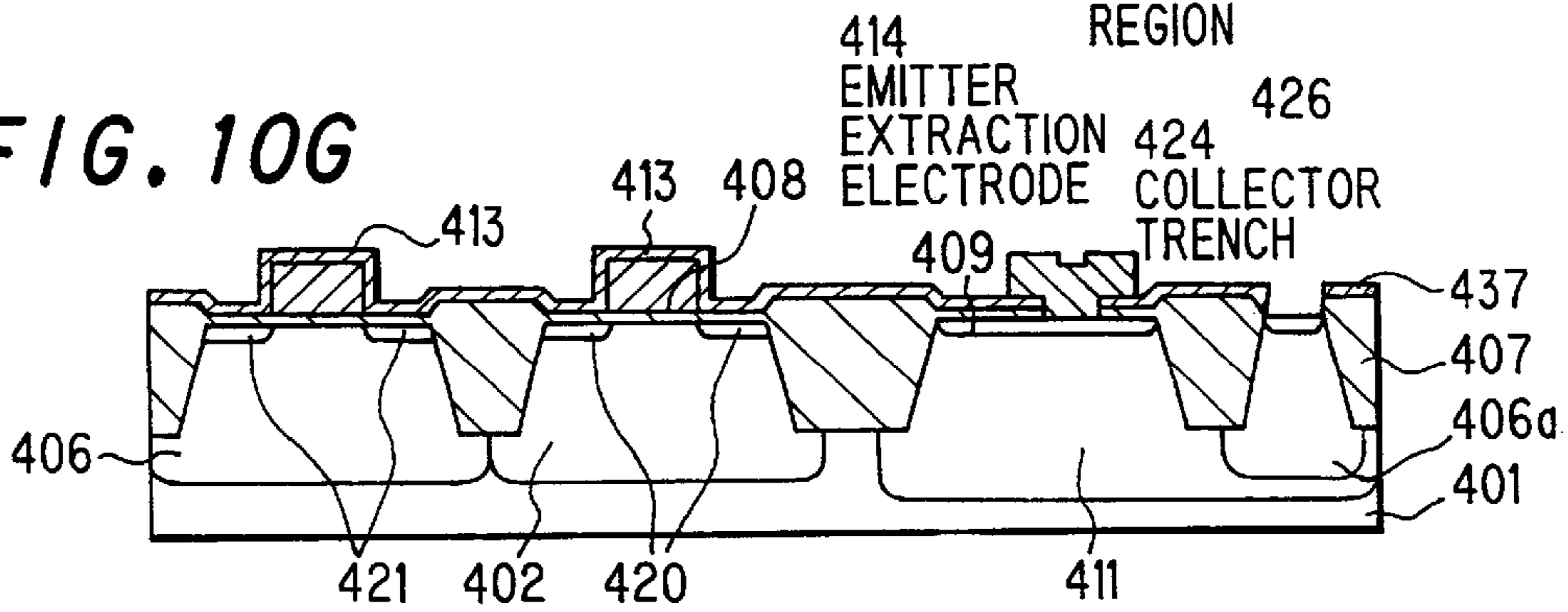


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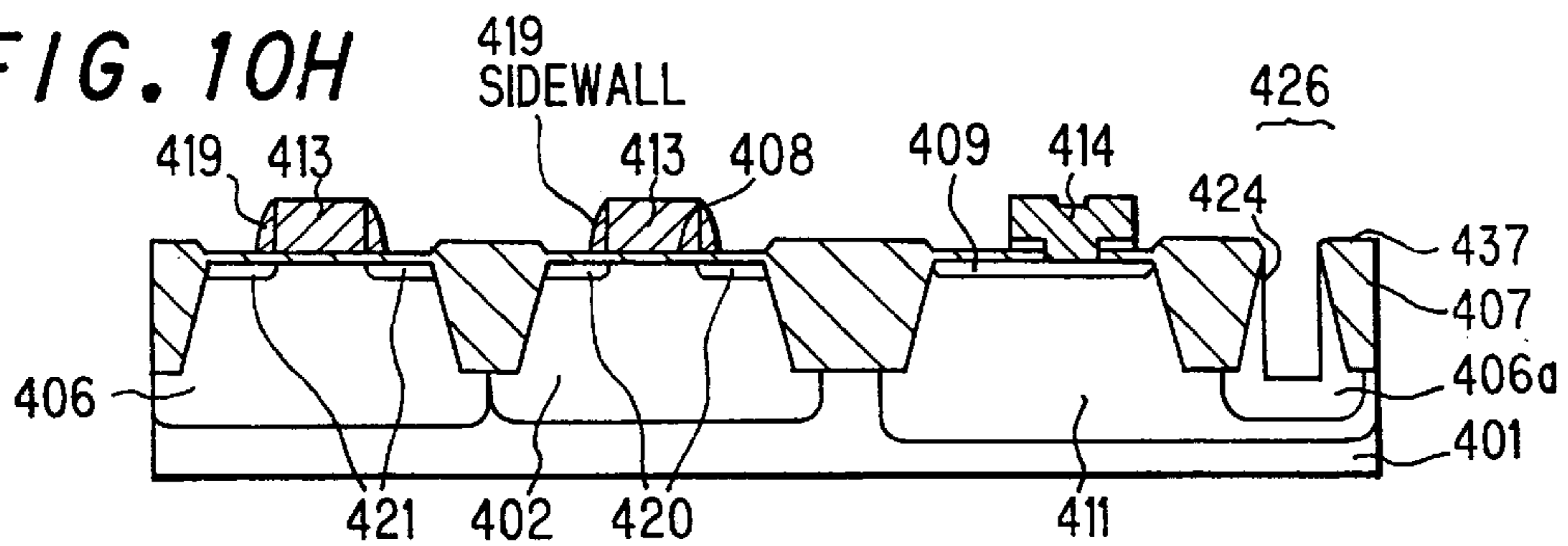


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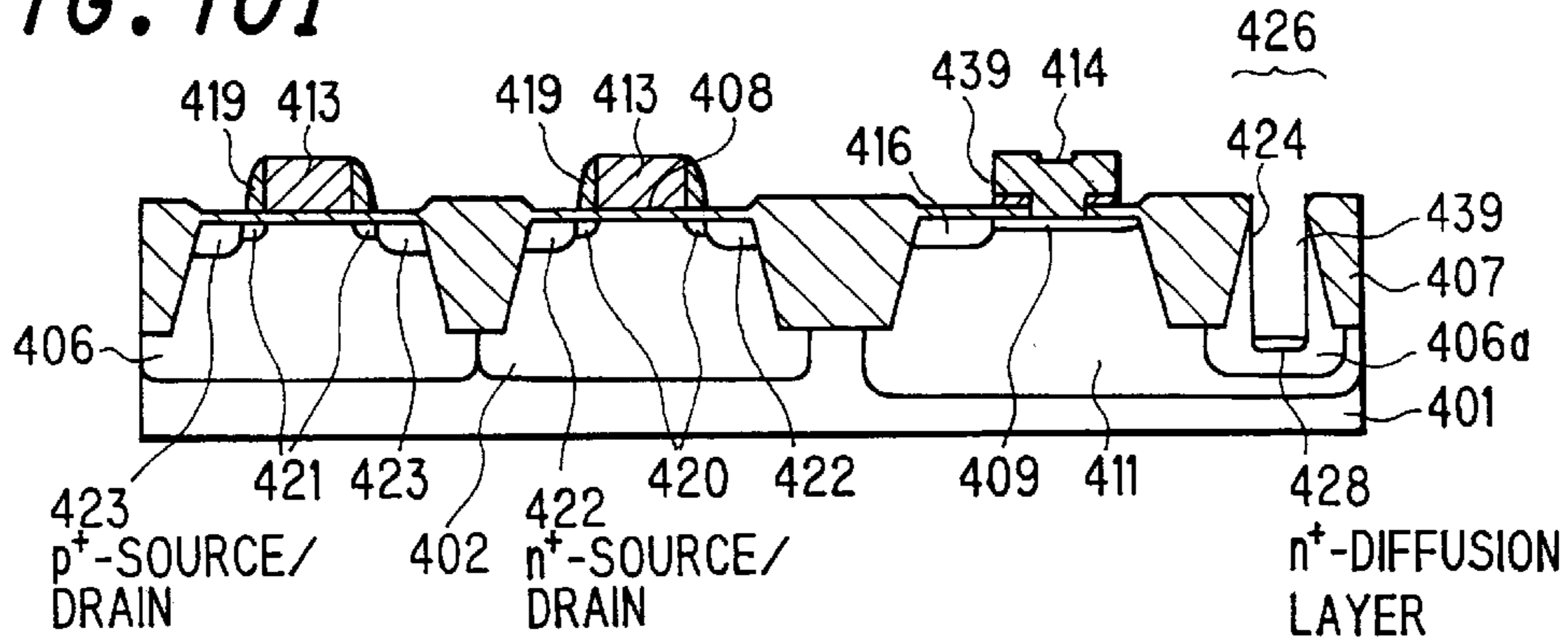


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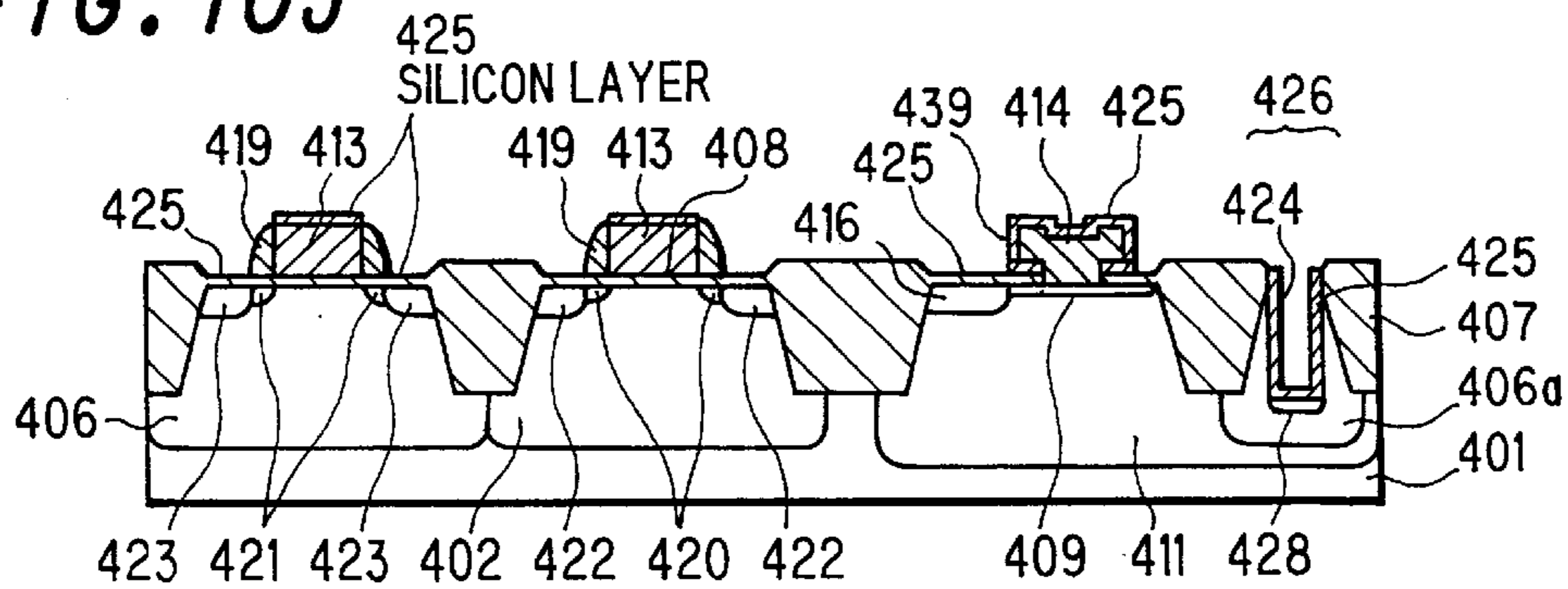


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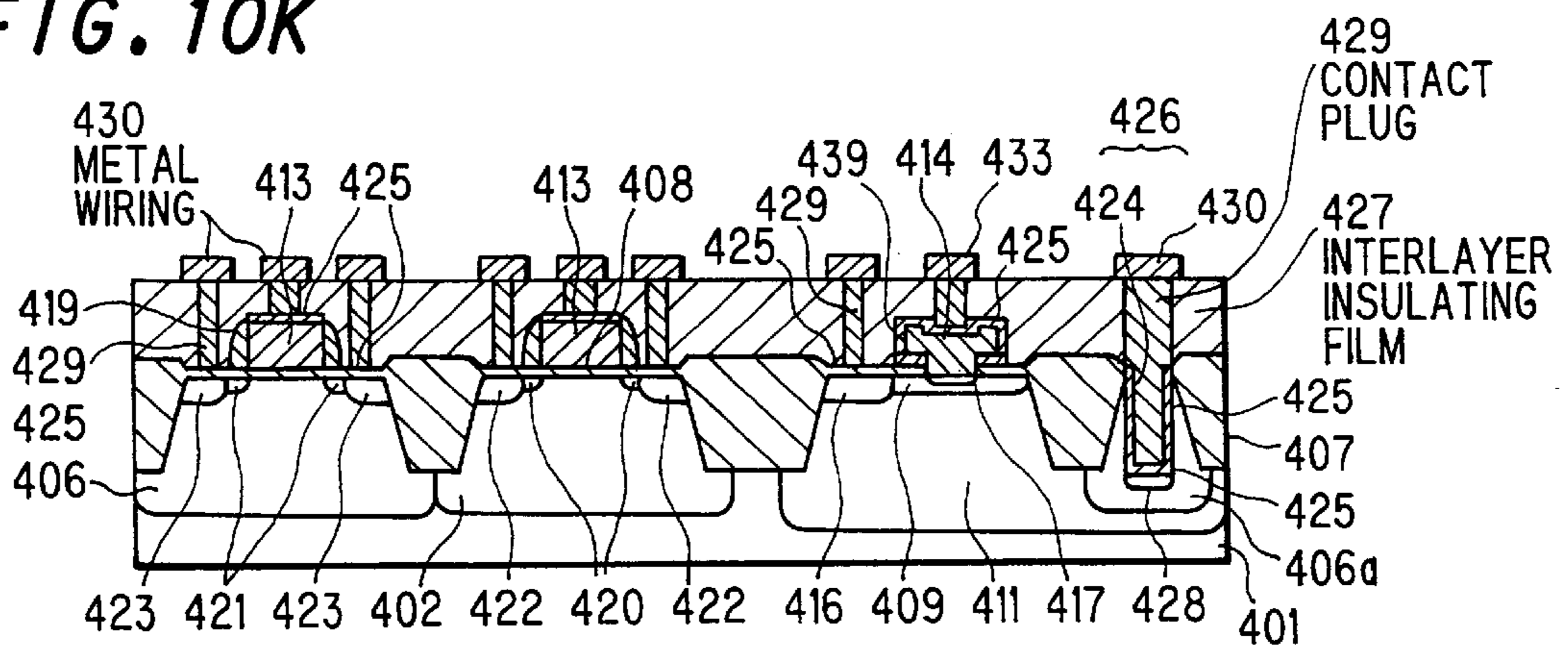


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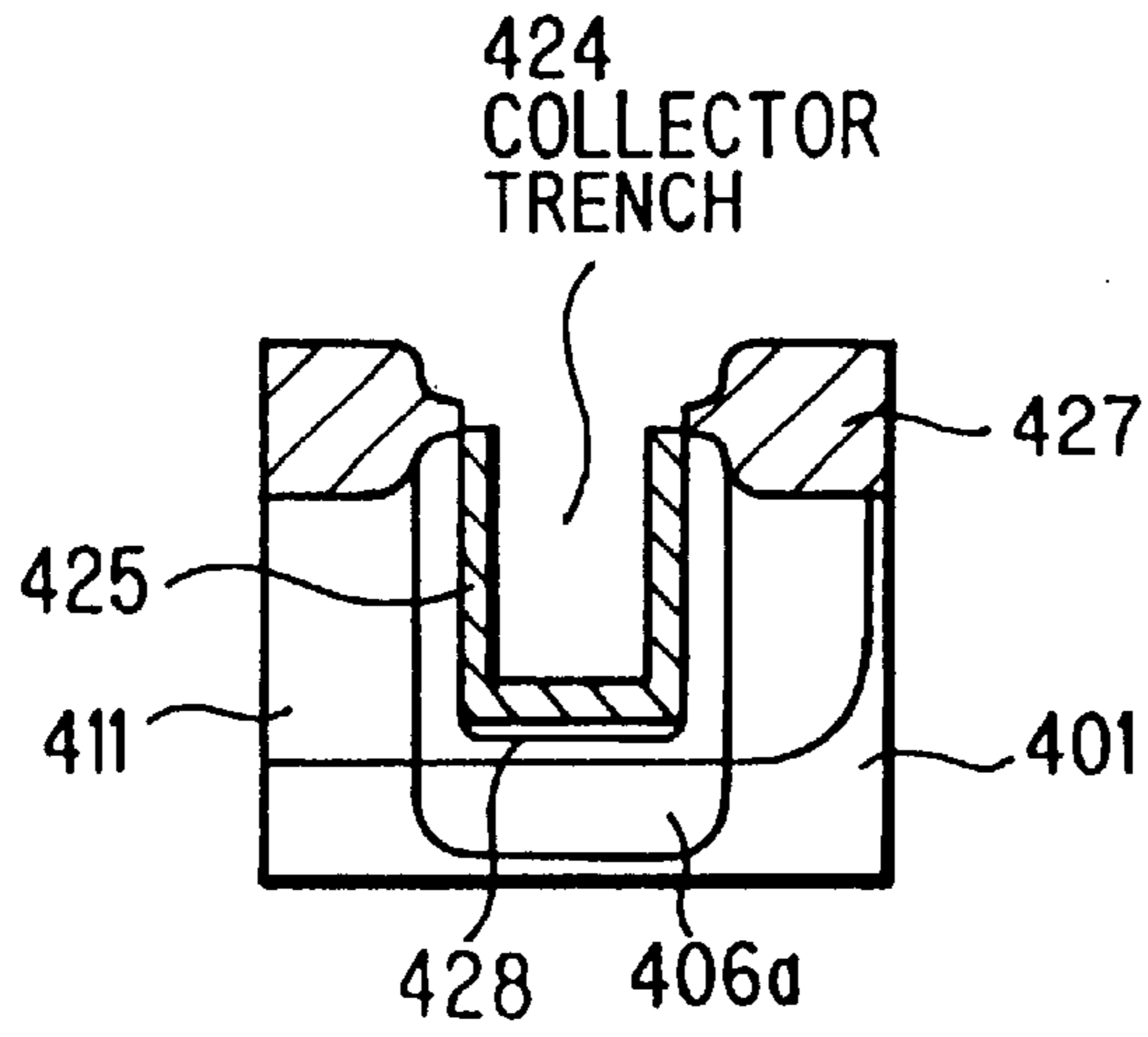


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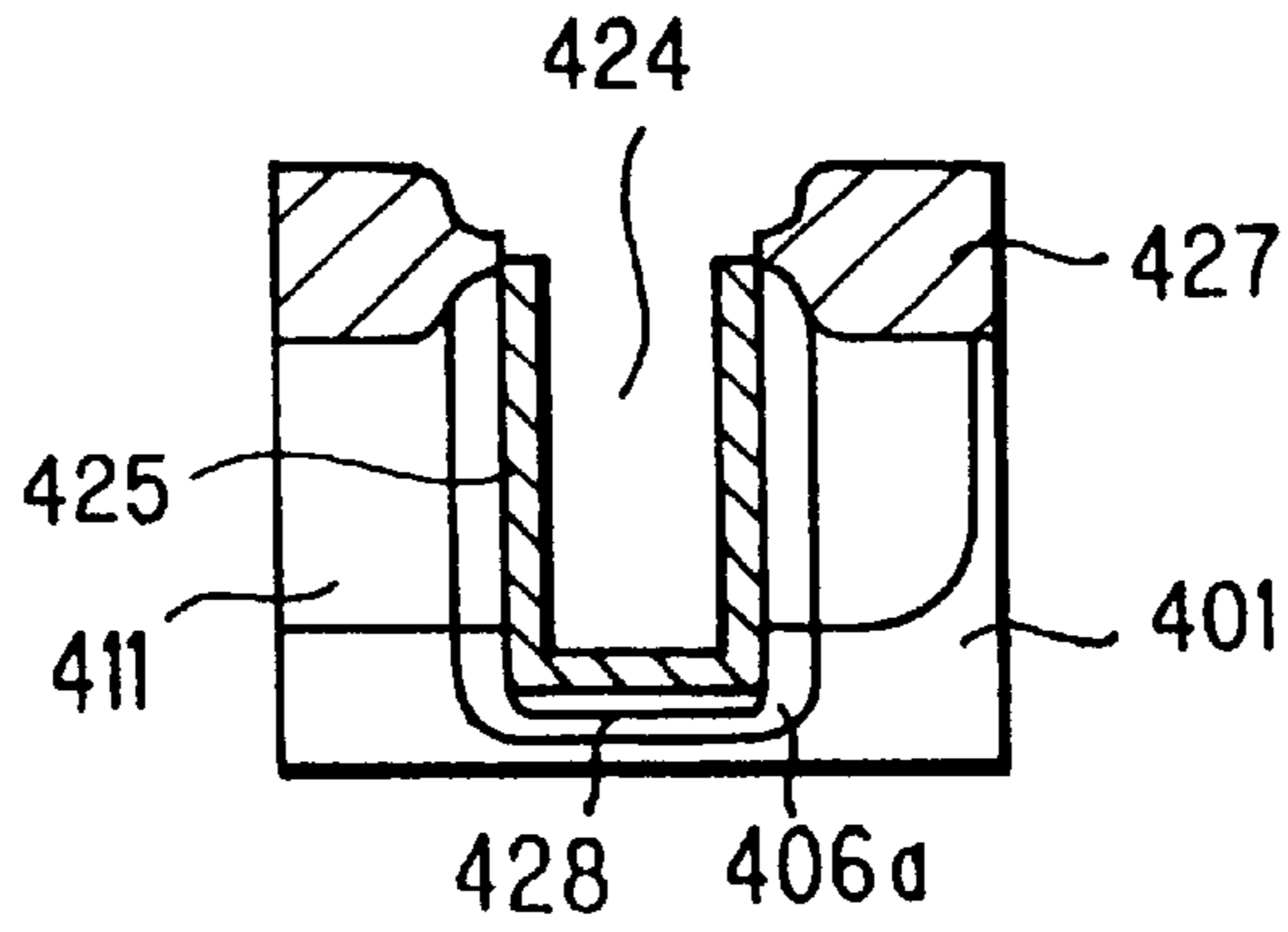
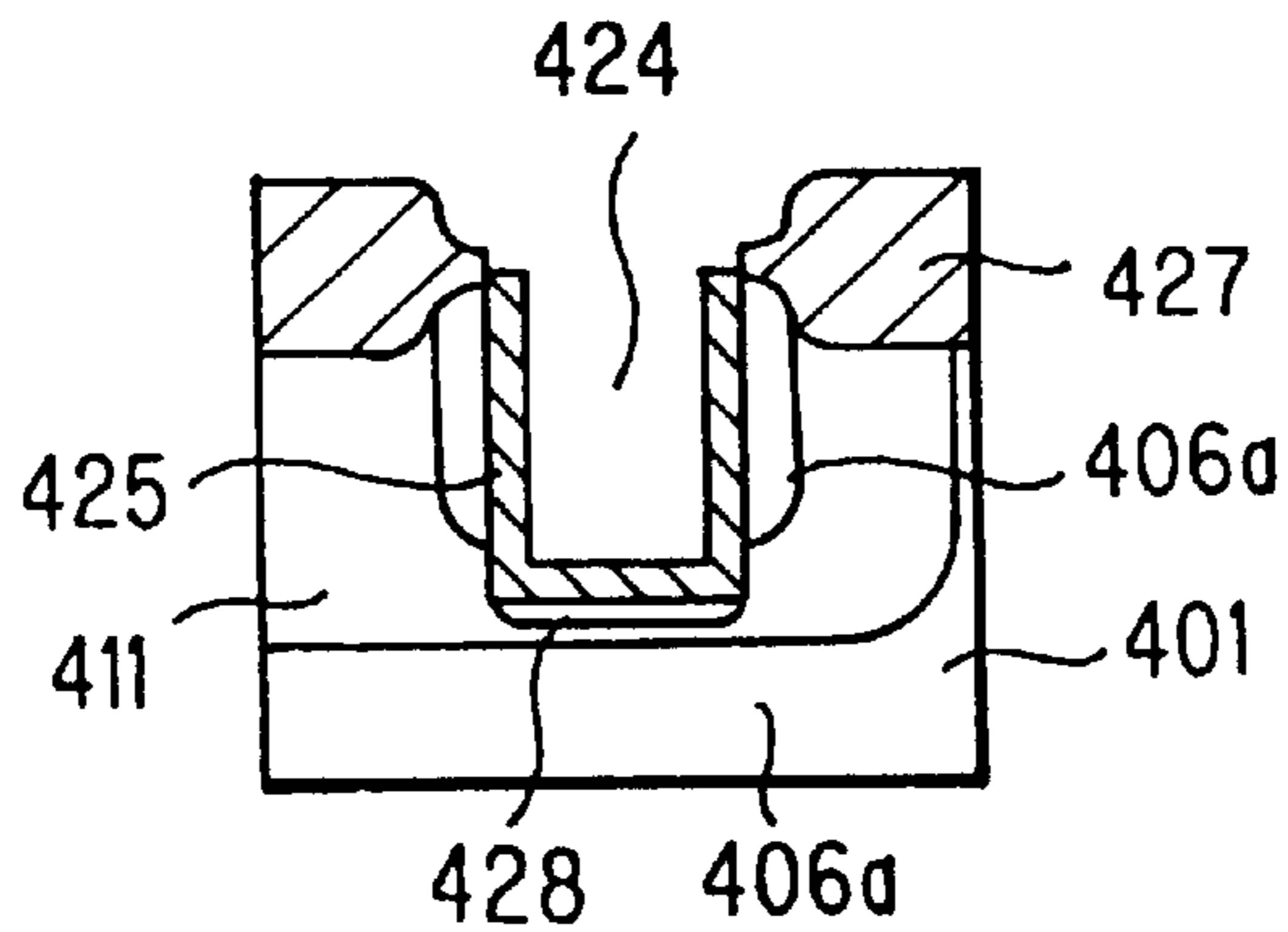


FIG. 11C



**SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING
OHMIC CONNECTION THAT UTILIZES
PEAK IMPURITY CONCENTRATION
REGION**

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates to a semiconductor device formed combining a bipolar transistor with a complementary field-effect transistor (hereinafter referred to as 'CMOS') and a method for making the same.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

BiCMOS having a bipolar transistor and CMOS are formed on a common substrate has both the high-speed operation and high driving performance of bipolar transistor and the low consumed power of CMOS. Thus, BiCMOS is one of the most effective means to meet recent demands for low consumed power and high-speed operation.

H. Suzuki et al., "Process Integration Technologies for a 0.3 μm BiCMOS SRAM with 1.5V Operation", IEEE, Proceedings of the 1996 Bipolar/BiCMOS Circuits and Technology Meeting, pp.89-92 (hereinafter referred to as 'first prior art') reports a bipolar transistor structure of BiCMOS.

In the first prior art (BiCMOS), the n^- -type buried layer must be diffused in the horizontal and vertical directions of the wafer due to the following three processes:

- 1) high-temperature thermal treatment in growing the epitaxial layer,
- 2) thermal treatment in forming the device-separating oxide film, and
- 3) thermal treatment for reducing the collector resistance.

Namely, these high-temperature thermal treatments prevent the size of bipolar transistor from being reduced.

Furthermore, in the first prior art, there is an essential problem that the number of fabrication steps must be increased since it needs to form the n^+ -type buried layer and n -type epitaxial layer which are not necessary for CMOS.

In this regard, K. Ishimaru et al., "Bipolar Installed CMOS Technology without Any Process Step Increase for High Speed Cache SRAM", Technical Digest of International Electron Devices Meeting 1995, pp.673-676 (hereinafter referred to as 'second prior art') gives a solution to the above problems as to the transistor size and the number of BiCMOS fabricating steps.

In the second prior art, the n^+ -type buried layer and epitaxial layer are not formed and the collector region is formed by the ion implantation at high energy. As a result, the problem that the transistor size is prevented from being decreased because of the unnecessary expansion in impurity region due to thermal hysteresis can be solved. Also, the essential problem that the number of fabrication steps of BiCMOS is too many can be solved by having some of the steps of fabricating CMOS and bipolar transistor in common.

However, in the second prior art, there occurs a new problem that the collector resistance is increased to six times, 300^{Ω} , compared with 50^{Ω} of conventional BiCMOS, as described in Table 1 in the second prior art. The collector resistance has to be compared between transistors with a same size since it depends upon the transistor size. In experimenting on a transistor with a same size as that in the first prior art, a collector resistance of 450^{Ω} is obtained.

On the other hand, the essential problem that the number of fabrication steps of BiCMOS is too many can be also

solved by the following method. A through-process of BiCMOS is, in general, designed by combining a bipolar transistor into the process of fabricating CMOS as a base process or combining CMOS into the process of fabricating a bipolar transistor as a base process.

Accordingly, the essential problem can be solved by reducing the number of steps in the base process or the process for the component to be combined.

A specific example of such a method is disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 5,358,882 (hereinafter referred to as 'third prior art') that the number of steps in fabricating a bipolar transistor is reduced.

As described above, in the first prior art, there is the problem that the size of bipolar transistor is prevented from being reduced because the n^+ -type buried layer must be diffused in the horizontal and vertical directions of the wafer. Also, there is the essential problem that the number of BiCMOS fabrication steps must be increased.

In the second prior art, which can help solve these problems, there is the problem that the collector resistance of the bipolar transistor is increased because the collector region formed by the ion implantation must have a lowered impurity concentration.

Problems caused by an increase in collector resistance will be explained in FIG. 4. FIG. 4 shows a DC characteristics dependency to collector resistance in applying a voltage of 1.0V between the collector and emitter of an bipolar transistor. In FIG. 4, full lines indicate a characteristic in case of a collector resistivity of 200^{Ω} , and dotted lines indicate a characteristic in case of a collector resistivity of 300^{Ω} . As seen from the dotted lines in FIG. 4, in case of a collector resistivity of 300^{Ω} , base current (I_B) is rapidly increased, compared with collector current (I_C), in a range of high base-to-emitter voltage ($V_{BE} > 1.0\text{V}$). Thereby, the current-amplification factor ($=I_C/I_B$) of the bipolar transistor is rapidly decreased. In general, this phenomenon is called 'saturation', and it is known that such a phenomenon affects badly the circuit operation.

In the third prior art, the number of BiCMOS fabrication steps can be reduced without increasing the collector resistance. However, in the third prior art, the n^+ -type buried layer formed on the p -type silicon substrate must be diffused, like the first prior art, in the horizontal direction due to the high-temperature thermal treatment in growing the epitaxial layer on the n^+ -type buried layer. Because of this, the insulation separation width of the bipolar transistor must be increased, therefore preventing the transistor size from being reduced.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Accordingly, it is an object of the invention to provide a semiconductor device and a method for making a semiconductor device that the number of fabrication steps can be reduced and the size of bipolar transistor can be miniaturized without increasing a collector resistance.

According to the invention, a semiconductor device, comprises:

a bipolar transistor comprising a collector region of a second conductivity type formed from the surface of a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type, a base region of a first conductivity type formed from the surface of the collector region, and an emitter region of a second conductivity type formed from the surface of the base region;

a collector extraction region that is separated by an insulating layer and is formed in the collector region except the base region;

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a concave portion in the collector extraction region that is formed up to a depth where the collector region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution; and

a collector extraction electrode that is connected with the collector region to extract ohmic-connecting to the bottom of the concave portion.

According to another aspect of the invention, a semiconductor device, comprises:

a bipolar transistor comprising a collector region of a second conductivity type formed from the surface of a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type, a base region of a first conductivity type formed from the surface of the collector region, and an emitter region of a second conductivity type formed from the surface of the base region;

a collector extraction region that is separated by an insulating layer and is formed in the collector region except the base region;

a collector connection region that is formed in the collector extraction region and a second conductivity type of impurity is implanted with a concentration higher than the collector region;

a concave portion in the collector connection region that is formed up to a depth where the collector connection region or collector region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution; and

a collector extraction electrode that is connected with the collector region to extract ohmic-connecting to the bottom of the concave portion.

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a collector extraction region that is separated by an insulating layer and is formed in the collector region except the base region;

a concave portion in the collector extraction region that is formed shallower than a depth where the collector region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution;

a diffusion layer that is formed from the bottom of the concave portion up to a depth where the collector region has the peak concentration in impurity distribution and a second conductivity type of impurity is implanted; and

a collector extraction electrode that is connected with the collector region to extract ohmic-connecting to the bottom of the concave portion.

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a collector extraction region that is separated by an insulating layer and is formed in the collector region except the base region;

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a collector connection region that is formed in the collector extraction region and a second conductivity type of impurity is implanted with a concentration higher than the collector region;

a concave portion in the collector connection region that is formed up to a depth where the collector connection region or collector region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution;

a diffusion layer that is formed from the bottom of the concave portion up to a depth where the collector connection region or collector region has the peak concentration in impurity distribution and a second conductivity type of impurity is implanted; and

a collector extraction electrode that is connected with the collector region to extract ohmic-connecting to the bottom of the concave portion.

According to another aspect of the invention, a method for making a semiconductor device, comprises the steps of:

forming a collector extraction region that is separated by an insulating layer in a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type;

forming a collector region by implanting impurity of a second conductivity type into a region including the collector extraction region;

forming a base region by implanting impurity of a first conductivity type into a predetermined position in the collector region;

forming an emitter region by implanting impurity of a second conductivity type into a predetermined position in the base region;

forming a concave portion up to a depth where the collector region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution by removing selectively the collector extraction region with using the insulating layer as a mask; and

forming a collector extraction electrode that is ohmic-connected with the bottom of the concave portion.

According to another aspect of the invention, a method for making a semiconductor device, comprises the steps of:

forming a collector extraction region that is separated by an insulating layer in a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type;

forming a collector region by implanting impurity of a second conductivity type into a region including the collector extraction region;

forming a collector connection region by implanting impurity of a second conductivity type with a concentration higher than the collector region into the collector extraction region;

forming a base region by implanting impurity of a first conductivity type into a predetermined position in the collector region;

forming an emitter region by implanting impurity of a second conductivity type into a predetermined position in the base region;

forming a concave portion up to a depth where the collector region or collector connection region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution by removing selectively the collector extraction region with using the insulating layer as a mask; and

forming a collector extraction electrode that is ohmic-connected with the bottom of the concave portion.

According to another aspect of the invention, a method for making a semiconductor device, comprises the steps of:

forming a collector extraction region that is separated by an insulating layer in a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type;

forming a collector region by implanting impurity of a second conductivity type into a region including the collector extraction region;

forming a base region by implanting impurity of a first conductivity type into a predetermined position in the collector region;

forming an emitter region by implanting impurity of a second conductivity type into a predetermined position in the base region;

forming a concave portion with a depth shallower than that where the collector region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution by removing selectively the collector extraction region with using the insulating layer as a mask;

forming a diffusion layer from the bottom of the concave portion up to the depth where the collector region has the peak concentration in impurity distribution by implanting impurity of second conductivity type; and

forming a collector extraction electrode that is ohmic-connected with the bottom of the concave portion.

According to another aspect of the invention, a method for making a semiconductor device, comprises the steps of:

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forming a collector region by implanting impurity of a second conductivity type into a region including the collector extraction region;

forming a collector connection region by implanting impurity of a second conductivity type with a concentration higher than the collector region into the collector extraction region;

forming a base region by implanting impurity of a first conductivity type into a predetermined position in the collector region;

forming an emitter region by implanting impurity of a second conductivity type into a predetermined position in the base region;

forming a concave portion with a depth shallower than that where the collector region or collector extraction region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution by removing selectively the collector extraction region with using the insulating layer as a mask;

forming a diffusion layer from the bottom of the concave portion up to the depth where the collector region or collector extraction region has the peak concentration in impurity distribution by implanting impurity of second conductivity type; and

forming a collector extraction electrode that is ohmic-connected with the bottom of the concave portion.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The invention will be explained in more detail in conjunction with the appended drawings, wherein:

FIGS. 1A to 1F are cross sectional views showing the structure and fabrication method of a bipolar transistor in the first prior art,

FIGS. 2A to 2E are cross sectional views showing the structure and fabrication method of a bipolar transistor in the second prior art,

FIGS. 3A to 3F are cross sectional views showing the structure and fabrication method of a bipolar transistor in the third prior art,

FIG. 4 is a graph showing DC-characteristics dependency to collector resistance in applying a voltage of 1.0V between the collector and emitter of an bipolar transistor,

FIGS. 5A to 5H are cross sectional views showing the structure and fabrication method of a semiconductor device in a first preferred embodiment according to the invention,

FIGS. 6A to 6K are cross sectional views showing the structure and fabrication method of a semiconductor device in a second preferred embodiment according to the invention,

FIG. 7 is a graph showing measurements of collector resistance when a contact plug for collector extraction is connected only at the bottom of a collector trench,

FIGS. 8A to 8K are cross sectional views showing the structure and fabrication method of a semiconductor device in a third preferred embodiment according to the invention,

FIGS. 9A and 9B are partial cross sectional views illustrating problems in the third embodiment,

FIGS. 10A to 10K are cross sectional views showing the structure and fabrication method of a semiconductor device in a fourth preferred embodiment according to the invention, and

FIGS. 11A to 11C are partial cross sectional views showing alterations in the fourth embodiment.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Before explaining a semiconductor device and a method for making the same in the preferred embodiments, the aforementioned conventional bipolar transistor and its fabrication method in the first to third prior arts will be explained in FIGS. 1A to 3F.

The method for making the bipolar transistor in the first prior art will be explained in FIGS. 1A to 1F.

As shown in FIG. 1A, a n⁺-type buried layer **1503** is first formed on a p-type silicon substrate **1501** by ion-implanting, e.g., arsenic or antimony of 10^{15} to 10^{16} cm⁻² at 30 to 100 keV into the substrate **1501**.

Then, as shown in FIG. 1B, a n-type epitaxial layer **1504** of 0.6 to 1.5 μm thick is grown on the substrate **1501**. The epitaxial layer **1504** is formed by using a known epitaxial growth technique, e.g., depositing silicon on a wafer while thermally decomposing a gas of SiCl₄, SiH₂Cl₂, SiH₄ or the like at a high temperature of 100 to 1200° C.

At this time, as seen from the comparison of FIGS. 1A and 1B, the n⁺-type buried layer **1503** is expanded diffusing in the horizontal and vertical directions. This is because the implanted impurity is diffused by the high temperature treatment of 1000 to 1200° C. for growing the epitaxial layer. The diffusion occurs in the horizontal and vertical directions of the wafer. It is known that the diffusing region is raised 0.2 to 0.3 μm forward the wafer surface by the diffusion.

Then, as shown in FIG. 1C, device-separating oxide film **1507** of 250 to 600 nm thick is formed at a temperature of 900 to 110° C. by using, e.g., a known LOCOS separation method. At this time, the n⁻-type buried layer **1503** is further thermally diffused in the horizontal and vertical directions, compared with that in FIG. 1B (though this is not shown clearly in FIG. 1C).

Then, as shown in FIG. 1D, a collector diffusion layer **1518** is formed by ion-implanting, e.g., phosphorus, arsenic of 1×10^{15} to 1×10^{16} cm⁻² at 50 to 100 keV into a predetermined position of the n-type epitaxial layer **1504**.

Then, as shown in FIG. 1E, a first p-type separation region **1502** is formed by ion-implanting, e.g., boron of 1×10^{13} to $5 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at a high energy of 500 keV to 1.5 MeV. Further, a second p-type separation region **1505** is formed by ion-implanting boron of 1×10^{13} to $5 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 100 to 250 keV.

Then, as shown in FIG. 1F, a p-type base region **1509**, an emitter extraction electrode **1514**, p⁺-type graft base **1516** etc. are formed by using known techniques. Then, after forming interlayer insulating film **1527** on them, contact holes **1528** are formed at predetermined positions and then contact plugs **1529** are plugged thereinto. Then, metal wiring **30** is formed connecting with the contact plugs **1529**.

By the process described above, BiCMOS in FIG. 1F can be obtained. Namely, the n⁺-type buried layer **1503** and n-type epitaxial layer **1504** are formed on the p-type silicon substrate **1501**. Also, the collector extraction can be conducted by the collector diffusion layer **1518**. Also, the first and second p-type separation regions **1502**, **1505** allow the insulation separation from other transistors to be formed on the common substrate. Further, there are formed the p-type base region **1509** and an emitter diffusion layer **1517** for the bipolar transistor in the n⁺-type epitaxial layer **1504**.

Meanwhile, in a bipolar transistor used in BiCMOS, the collector connection is generally extracted from the device surface. Because of this, a resistivity (collector resistance) from the collector region formed in the n-type epitaxial layer **1504** under the p-type base region **1509** to the metal wiring **1530** as collector electrode is a problem to be solved.

Until recently, a collector region with a high-concentration impurity introduced could not be formed by the ion implantation. Due to this, as described above, in general, the collector region is formed by using the n-type epitaxial layer **1504** and is connected through the n⁺-type buried layer **1503**, collector diffusion layer **1518** and contact plug **1529** to the metal wiring **1530**.

In this case, to minimize the connector resistance, it is ideal that the n⁺-type buried layer **1503** and the collector diffusion layer **1518** are connected with each other while they have high-concentration impurities. However, in forming the collector diffusion layer **1518**, the peak of impurity concentration is 0.12 Mm deep even by implanting phosphorus at the highest implantation energy. In this regard, the n-type epitaxial layer **1504** has to have a thickness of $0.6 \mu\text{m}$ at the minimum. Also, the rising of the n⁺-type buried layer **1503** forward the wafer surface due to the thermal hysteresis is about $0.3 \mu\text{m}$ at the maximum. Therefore, when the ion implantation is simply conducted, a clearance between the top of the n⁺-type buried layer **1503** and the bottom of the collector diffusion layer **1518** must be greater than $0.18 \mu\text{m}$. In brief, the ideal connection between the n⁺-type buried layer **1503** and the collector diffusion layer **1518** cannot be obtained.

To reduce the clearance of $0.18 \mu\text{m}$ to allow the collector diffusion layer **1518** to contact the n⁺-type buried layer **1503**, the collector diffusion layer **1518** formed by the ion implantation needs to be expanded diffusing by thermal treatment, e.g., at a temperature of 900 to 1000° C. for 30 to 60 min. It is apparent that, due to the thermal treatment, both the n⁺-type buried layer **1503** and the collector diffusion layer **1518** will be further expanded diffusing in the horizontal and vertical directions of the wafer.

The method for making BiCMOS in the second prior art will be explained in FIGS. 2A to 2E.

As shown in FIG. 2A, device-separating oxide film **1607** of $0.7 \mu\text{m}$ deep is first formed on ap-type silicon substrate

1601 by a known technique. Meanwhile, in the second prior art, the device-separating oxide film **1607** is called 'STI (shallow trench isolation)'.

Then, as shown in FIG. 2B, a first p-type well region **1602** is formed by ion-implanting boron of $5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 350 keV. Also, a first n-type well region **1606** is formed by ion-implanting phosphorus of $5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 700 keV.

At this time, an insulation separation region for bipolar transistor is simultaneously formed with the first p-type well region **1602**. Also, in the second prior art, a collector region **1632** for bipolar transistor is simultaneously formed with the first n-type well region **1606**. Namely, the collector region **1632** is formed by the ion implantation.

Thus, in the second prior art, the impurity concentration necessary for collector can be obtained by the ion implantation. Because of this, for example, the epitaxial layer is not necessary to form. Therefore, the number of fabrication steps can be significantly decreased, compared with that in the first prior art.

Then, as shown in FIG. 2C, gate oxide film **1608** of 7 nm thick is formed. Then, the gate oxide film **1608** locating at a region to form a base extraction electrode is removed. Then, p⁺-type and n⁺-type gate electrodes **1613** and the base extraction electrode **1631** with a multilayer structure that insulating film is formed on a polycide structure are formed. Then, a n-type LDD layer **1620**, a p-type LDD layer and a p-type base region **1609** are formed.

Meanwhile, the impurity doping to the base extraction electrode **1631** is conducted in forming the p⁺-type gate electrode **1613**. Also, the p-type base region **1609** is simultaneously formed with the p-type LDD layer **1621**. Further, a p⁺-type graft base **1616** is formed by diffusing boron from the base extraction electrode **1631** by the thermal treatment of the fabrication process.

Then, as shown in FIG. 2D, side walls **1619** of silicon dioxide film etc. are formed on the side of the gate electrode **1613** and base extraction electrode **1631** by using a known technique. Then, by ion-implanting in self-aligned manner with using these as a mask, a n⁺-type source/drain **1622**, a p⁺-type source/drain **1623** and a collector diffusion layer **1618** are formed. Then, an emitter extraction electrode **1614** with a polycide structure is formed. Meanwhile, the collector diffusion layer **1618** is simultaneously formed with the n⁺-type source/drain **1622** for n-MOS.

Then, as shown in FIG. 2E, an emitter diffusion layer **1617**, interlayer insulating film **1627**, contact plugs **1629** and metal wiring **1630** are formed by a known technique.

By the process described above, as shown in FIG. 2E, the collector region **1632** as well as the first n-type well region **1606** for CMOS is formed on the p-type silicon substrate **1601** by ion implantation. Also, the collector extraction can be conducted by the collector diffusion layer **1618** formed simultaneously with the n⁺-type source/drain **1622** for n-MOS. Also, the first p-type well region **1602** allows the insulation separation from other transistors to be formed on the common substrate. Further, there are formed the p-type base region **1609** and emitter diffusion layer **1617** for the bipolar transistor in the collector region **1632** formed on the p-type silicon substrate **1601**.

In the second prior art, the n⁺-type buried layer **1503** and n-type epitaxial layer **1504** in FIG. 1F are not employed.

The process of fabricating a bipolar transistor in the third prior art will be explained in FIGS. 3A to 3F.

At first, as shown in FIG. 3A, a n⁺-type buried layer **1703** is formed on a p-type silicon substrate **1701** by ion-

implanting arsenic or antimony using oxide film as a mask. Then, a n-type epitaxial layer **1704** of 0.2 to 0.5 μm is formed.

Then, for example, silicon thermal oxidation film, silicon nitride film and TEOS silicon dioxide film of 50 nm, 150 nm and 600 nm, respectively, are formed as a hard mask for forming a trench, and then an aperture to surround the bipolar transistor is formed by photolithography. Then, as shown in FIG. 3B, the trench **1715** that reaches the p-type silicon substrate **1701** penetrating through the n⁺-type buried layer **1703** is formed by digging 4.4 μm deep from the surface of the n-type epitaxial layer **1704** by known anisotropic etching.

Then, after growing first oxide film **1733** of 50 to 100 nm on the side wall and the bottom of the trench **1715**, a channel stopper region **1734** is formed in the p-type silicon substrate **1701** under the bottom of the trench **1715**. Then, a filler **1735** of oxide film doped or non-doped by CVD is filled into the inside of the trench **1715**. and then the filler **1735** is removed up to the surface of the n-type epitaxial layer **1704** by a known etching technique while leaving the silicon thermal oxidation film of 50 nm. Then, second oxide film **1737** of 100 nm is formed by thermal oxidation to cap the trench.

Then, as shown in FIG. 3C, device-separating oxide film (TEOS-SiO₂ film) **1707** of 200 to 500 nm is formed by CVD using a gas of Si(OC₂H₅)₄ at 730° C. Then, an active transistor region including emitter, base and collector, a collector contact **1726** and an on-substrate contact **1740** are positioned by photolithography using photoresist, and then the device-separating oxide film **1707** is selectively removed by a known etching technique to expose the surface of the n-type epitaxial layer.

Then, as shown in FIG. 3D, p⁺-type polysilicon film **1738** and third oxide film **1739** are grown. Then, a base extraction electrode **1731** is formed by etching simultaneously the third oxide film **1739** and p⁻-type polysilicon film **1738** by a known anisotropic etching. Then, a p-type base region (active base region) **1709** is formed by ion-implanting boron or BF₂ of $5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 15 keV while using photoresist as a mask. Further, side walls **1719** of oxide film are formed.

Then, as shown in FIG. 3E, an emitter extraction electrode **1714** is formed by growing n⁺-type-doped polysilicon and then etching selectively by anisotropic etching using photoresist as a mask. Then, a collector trench **1724** is formed by further over-etching the on-substrate contact **1740** until reaching the n⁺-type buried layer **1703**. At this time, a collector trench **1724** is simultaneously formed etching the collector contact **1726**.

Then, as shown in FIG. 3F, interlayer insulating film **1727** composed of oxide film (TEOS-SiO₂ film) of 50 nm and BPSG (boron-phosphorus-silicate-glass) of 800 nm is formed. Then, an emitter diffusion layer **1717** is formed by, for example, RTA (rapid thermal annealing) at 1050° C. for 5 to 15 sec. or furnace annealing at 900° C. for 20 to 30 min. Then, contact holes are formed and metal wiring **1730** is formed.

As described above, in the third prior art, when the pattern of the emitter extraction electrode **1714** is formed by etching, the collector trench **1724** is also formed by etching the surface of the n-type epitaxial layer **1704**. Also, at the bottom of the collector trench **1724**, the n⁺-type buried layer **1703** and metal wiring **1730** are directly connected.

Thus, the collector diffusion layer **1518** for collector extraction in the first prior art is not necessary to form. As a result, the number of fabrication steps can be reduced. Also, in the third prior art, the collector resistance is not increased.

Next, a semiconductor device and a method for making the same in the first preferred embodiment will be explained in FIGS. 5A to 5H.

At first, referring to FIG. 5H, the structure of a bipolar is transistor in the semiconductor device in the first embodiment will be explained below.

In the bipolar transistor, a n-well region **106** and a collector region **106a** are formed on a p-type silicon substrate **110**. A collector contact **126** and a p-type base region **109** are separated from each other by device-separating oxide film **107** formed on the surface of the collector region **106a**. Also, in the region of the collector contact **126**, the bottom of a collector trench (concave portion) **124** is formed to abut on a portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region **106a**.

Also, side walls **119** are formed on the side of the collector trench **124**. A n⁺-type diffusion layer **128** to be formed in implanting n⁺-type source/drain for CMOS is formed at part of the bottom of the collector trench **124** where the side wall **119** is not left. Also, a silicide layer **125a** is formed on the surface of n⁺-type diffusion layer **128**. It is connected through barrier metal (not shown) and a contact plug **129** or not through the contact plug to metal wiring **130**.

Meanwhile, the bottom of the collector trench **124** may be formed a little higher than the portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region **106a** so that a portion with peak impurity concentration in the n⁺-type diffusion layer **128** can abut on the portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region **106a**.

Next, the method for making the semiconductor device in the first embodiment will be explained in FIGS. 5A to 5H.

At first, as shown in FIG. 5A, device-separating oxide film **107** is and first oxide film **133** are formed on the p-type silicon substrate **101** by using known LOCOS or STI etc.

Then, as shown in FIG. 5B, a p-well region **102** to form n-MOS is formed by implanting, e.g., boron of $5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 350 keV. Also, a n-well region **106** to form p-MOS and a collector region **106a** to form the collector of the bipolar transistor are formed by implanting phosphorus of $5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 700 keV.

Then, as shown in FIG. 5C, gate oxide film **108** of 5 to 10 nm is formed on the p-type silicon substrate **101**. Then, a p-type base region **109** is formed by implanting, e.g., boron or BF₂ of 1×10^{13} to $5 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 10 to 50 keV. Also, after forming an emitter contact **110** and a collector contact **126**, first polysilicon film **112** of 150 to 400 nm is grown.

Then, as shown in FIG. 5D, gate electrodes **113** and an emitter extraction electrode **114** are formed by known anisotropic etching using a pattern, such as photoresist, as a mask. Then, the collector trench **124** is formed by further etching it using the photoresist pattern and gate oxide film **108** as a mask. Then, the mask of photoresist is removed. Meanwhile, these etchings may be conducted sequentially on same conditions or separately in several steps.

Then, as shown in FIG. 5E, a n-type LDD layer **120** and a p-type LDD **121** are formed. Then, after forming oxide film for side wall, the side walls **119** are formed on the side of the gate electrode **113**, emitter extraction electrode **114** and collector trench **124** by known anisotropic etching.

Then, as shown in FIG. 5F, a n⁺-type source/drain region **122** for n-MOS is formed by ion-implanting impurity of phosphorus, arsenic or the like. Also, the n⁺-type diffusion layer **129** is formed at the bottom of the collector trench **124**. Then, a p⁺-type source/drain region **123** for p-MOS and a p⁺-type graft base **116** are formed by ion-implanting impurity of boron, BF₂ or the like.

Meanwhile, the impurity introduction into the emitter extraction electrode **114** may be conducted simultaneously with the ion implantation of impurity of phosphorus, arsenic or the like to form the n⁺-type source/drain region **122** for n-MOS. Alternatively, it may be conducted by another step of implanting impurity of phosphorus, arsenic or the like.

Also, it is desired that these ion implantations be conducted through thin oxide film **141** of about 5 to 20 nm to be further formed on, e.g., the exposed surface of the p-type silicon substrate **101** so as to prevent a crystal defect at the end of the side wall **119**.

Then, as shown in FIG. **5G** a silicide layer **125** or **125a** is formed by siliciding the surface of the gate electrode **113**, emitter extraction electrode **114**, n⁺-type diffusion layer **128** at the bottom of the collector trench **124**, n⁺-type source/drain region **122**, p⁺-type source/drain region **123** and p⁺-type graft base **116** by known method using metal of titanium, cobalt, nickel or the like.

Then, as shown in FIG. **5H**, interlayer insulating film **127** composed of, e.g., oxide film (TEOS-SiO₂ film) of 50 nm and BPSG (boron-phosphorus-silicate-glass) of 800 nm like the third prior art is formed. In addition, contacts are formed at predetermined positions of the interlayer insulating film **127**, and then the contact plug **129** are formed through barrier metal (not shown). Then, the metal wiring **130** to contact the contact plug **129** is formed on the interlayer insulating film **127**. Though, in FIG. **5H**, the contact width for the collector trench **124** is shown to be smaller than the width of the collector trench **124**, it may be equal to or greater than that of the collector trench **124**.

As described above, in the first embodiment, the n⁺-type buried layer and epitaxial layer are not formed and the collector region is formed by the ion implantation at high energy. As a result, the problem that the transistor size is prevented from being decreased because of the unnecessary expansion in impurity region due to thermal hysteresis can be solved.

Also, in the first embodiment, the collector resistance is not increased because the collector region **106a** and the contact plug **129** connected to the metal wiring **130** are directly connected at the bottom of the collector trench **124**.

Further, the collector trench **124** is formed by etching with using the photoresist pattern and device-separating oxide film **107** as a mask, subsequently after forming the gate electrode **113** and emitter extraction electrode **114**. Therefore, the number of fabrication steps is not increased. Namely, in the first embodiment, the essential problem that the number of fabrication steps of BiCMOS is too many can be solved by having some of the steps of fabricating CMOS and bipolar transistor in common.

However, in the first embodiment, as shown in FIG. **5D**, the collector trench **124** is formed by etching with using the photoresist pattern and gate oxide film as a mask. Because of this, it will be difficult to use the gate oxide film as a mask when the thickness of the gate oxide film is reduced to miniaturize the transistor. In this regard, a method for making a semiconductor device in the second embodiment will give a solution.

The method for making a semiconductor device in the second preferred embodiment will be explained below.

At first, as shown in FIG. **6A**, device-separating oxide film **207** and first oxide film **233** are formed on the p-type silicon substrate **201** by using known LOCOS or STI etc.

Then, as shown in FIG. **6B**, a p-well region **202** to form n-MOS is formed by implanting, e.g., boron of $5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

at 350 keV. Also, a n-well region **206** to form p-MOS and a collector region **206a** to form the collector of the bipolar transistor are formed by implanting phosphorus of $5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 700 keV.

Then, as shown in FIG. **6C**, gate oxide film **208** of 5 to 10 nm is formed on the p-type silicon substrate **101**. Then, first polysilicon film **212** of 150 to 400 nm is formed.

Then, as shown in FIG. **6D**, gate electrodes **213** are formed by removing selectively the first polysilicon film **212** by known anisotropic etching with using a photoresist pattern, and then the photoresist pattern is removed.

Then, as shown in FIG. **6E**, a p-type base region **209** is formed by implanting, e.g., boron or BF₂ of 1×10^{13} to $5 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 10 to 50 keV. Then, a n-type LDD layer **220**, a p-type LDD layer **221** are formed. Then, second oxide film **237** is grown.

Then, as shown in FIG. **6F**, an emitter contact **210** and a collector contact **226** are formed by etching selectively the second oxide film **237** with using a photoresist mask pattern. Then, second polysilicon film **242** of 150 to 400 nm is grown.

Meanwhile, the second polysilicon film **242** may be grown non-doping or doping with impurity of, e.g., phosphorus or arsenic, of 1×10^{18} to $1 \times 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-2}$.

Then, as shown in FIG. **6G**, an emitter extraction electrode **214** is formed by removing selectively the polysilicon film **242** by known anisotropic etching with using a photoresist mask pattern. Then, a collector trench **224** is formed by further etching with using the photoresist pattern and second oxide film **237** as a mask. Then, the photoresist pattern is removed. These etchings may be conducted sequentially on same conditions or separately in several steps.

Then, after growing third oxide film, as shown in FIG. **6H**, side walls **239** with one layer of the third oxide film or side walls with two layers of the second oxide film **237** and third oxide film are formed on the side of the gate electrode **213**, emitter extraction electrode **214** and collector trench **224** by known anisotropic etching.

Then, as shown in FIG. **6I**, a n⁺-type source/drain region **222** for n-MOS is formed by ion-implanting impurity of phosphorus, arsenic or the like. Also, a n⁺-type diffusion layer **228** is formed at the bottom of the collector trench **224**. Then, a p⁺-type source/drain region **223** for p-MOS and a p⁺-type graft base **216** are formed by ion-implanting impurity of boron, BF, or the like.

Meanwhile, the impurity introduction into the emitter extraction electrode **214** when the second polysilicon film **242** (FIG. **6F**) to form the emitter extraction electrode **214** is grown non-doping may be conducted simultaneously with the ion implantation of impurity of phosphorus, arsenic or the like to form the n⁻-type source/drain region **222** for n-MOS. Alternatively, it may be conducted by another step of implanting impurity of phosphorus, arsenic or the like.

Also, it is desired that these ion implantations be conducted through thin oxide film **241** of about 5 to 20 nm to be further formed on, e.g., the exposed surface of the p-type silicon substrate **201** so as to prevent a crystal defect at the end of the side wall **219**.

Then, as shown in FIG. **6J**, a silicide layer **225** is formed by siliciding the surface of the gate electrode **213**, emitter extraction electrode **214**, n⁺-type diffusion layer **228** at the bottom of the collector trench **224**, n⁺-type source/drain region **222**, p⁺-type source/drain region **223** and p⁺-type graft base **216** by known method using metal of titanium, cobalt, nickel or the like.

Then, as shown in FIG. 6K, interlayer insulating film 227 composed of, e.g., oxide film (TEOS-SiO₂ film) of 50 nm and BPSG (boron-phosphorus-silicate-glass) of 800 nm like the third prior art is formed. In addition, contacts are formed at predetermined positions of the interlayer insulating film 227, and then a contact plug 229 are formed through barrier metal (not shown). Then, metal wiring 230 to contact the contact plug 229 is formed on the interlayer insulating film 227. Though, in FIG. 6K, the contact width for the collector trench 224 is shown to be smaller than the width of the collector trench 224, it may be equal to or greater than that of the collector trench 224.

Next, referring to FIG. 6K, the structure of the bipolar transistor in the semiconductor device in the second embodiment will be explained below.

In the bipolar transistor, the collector region 206a is formed on the p-type silicon substrate 201. The collector contact 226 and the p-type base region 209 are separated from each other by the device-separating oxide film 207 formed on the surface of the collector region 206a. Also, in the region of the collector contact 226, the bottom of the collector trench (concave portion) 224 is formed to abut on a portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region 206a.

Also, the side walls 219 are formed on the side of the collector trench 224. The n⁺-type diffusion layer 228 to be formed in implanting the n⁺-type source/drain 222 for CMOS is formed at part of the bottom of the collector trench 224 where the side wall 219 is not left. Also, the silicide layer 225 is formed on the surface of the n⁺-type diffusion layer 228. It is connected through barrier metal (not shown) to the contact plug 229. The contact plug 229 is connected to the metal wiring 230 formed on the interlayer insulating film 227.

Meanwhile, the bottom of the collector trench 224 may be formed a little lower than the portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region 206a so that a portion with peak impurity concentration in the n⁺-type diffusion layer 228 can abut on the portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region 206a.

As described above, in the second embodiment, the n-type buried layer and epitaxial layer are not formed and the collector region is formed by the ion implantation at high energy. As a result, the problem that the transistor size is prevented from being decreased because of the unnecessary expansion in impurity region due to thermal hysteresis can be solved.

Also, in the second embodiment, the collector resistance is not increased because the collector region 206a and the contact plug 229 connected to the metal wiring 230 are directly connected at the bottom of the collector trench 224.

Further, the collector trench 224 is formed by etching with using the photoresist pattern and device-separating oxide film 207 as a mask, subsequently after forming the emitter extraction electrode 214. Therefore, the number of fabrication steps is not increased. Namely, in the second embodiment, the essential problem that the number of fabrication steps of BiCMOS is too many can be solved by having some of the steps of fabricating CMOS and bipolar transistor in common.

As described above, in the first and second embodiments, an increase in the collector resistance can be suppressed by forming the trench at the collector contact.

Further, in the first and second embodiments, the collector resistance can be significantly reduced by designing the trench depth at the collector trench to abut on the portion

with peak impurity concentration in the collector region. This is proved by the experimental result in FIG. 7 that the collector resistance is minimized at a position where the depth of collector trench reaches the portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region.

FIG. 7 shows the measurements of collector resistance when the contact plug for collector extraction is connected only at the bottom of the collector trench according to the first and second embodiments. A bipolar transistor used in this experiment has a peak of impurity concentration at a depth of about 0.9 μm.

In the first and second embodiments, the collector resistance can be reduced to 250^Ω, compared with a collector resistance of 450^Ω in case of no collector trench. When the collector resistance is 250^Ω, the base-to-emitter voltage of transistor characteristics can be improved from 1.1V to 1.2V, i.e., by about 20%, compared with the collector resistance of 300^Ω. Therefore, no deterioration in base current characteristic can be observed.

On the other hand, in the first and second embodiments, the n-type well region for p-MOS and the collector region for bipolar transistor are formed by the ion implantation conducted commonly as shown in FIGS. 5H and 6K, respectively. However, it is difficult to optimize simultaneously the conditions of these formations.

First, to suppress the short-channel effect of p-MOS transistor, it is desired that a region with a high n-type impurity concentration be formed at a position of about 0.2 μm deep equal to the junction depth of source/drain region. Further, for p-MOS, the junction depth of source/drain region will be reduced with the miniaturization.

For the bipolar transistor, it is desired that the collector-to-base or emitter-to-collector breakdown voltage be higher than the power-source voltage, the collector-to-base capacity be reduced as much as possible, and the collector resistance be reduced as much as possible. Thus, it is required that the impurity concentration around the surface of the p-type silicon substrate be lowered as much as possible and a region with a high n-type impurity concentration be formed at a position of about 0.6 to 1.0 μm deep.

As understood from these, when the transistor size is further reduced, it will be difficult to optimize simultaneously the conditions of these formations.

In this regard, a method for making a semiconductor device in the third embodiment will give a solution.

The method for making a semiconductor device in the third preferred embodiment will be explained below.

At first, as shown in FIG. 8A, device-separating oxide film 307 and first oxide film 333 are formed on a p-type silicon substrate 301 by using known LOCOS or STI etc.

Then, as shown in FIG. 8B, a p-well region 302 to form n-MOS is formed by implanting, e.g., boron of 5×10¹³ cm⁻² at 350 keV. Also, a n-well region 306 to form p-MOS and a collector connection region 306a to form the collector of the bipolar transistor are formed by implanting, e.g., phosphorus of 1×10¹³ to 5×10¹³ cm⁻² at high energy of 300 to 800 keV and further phosphorus of 1×10¹² to 1×10¹³ cm⁻² at 50 to 150 keV.

Then, as shown in FIG. 8C, gate oxide film 308 of 5 to 10 nm thick is formed on the p-type silicon substrate 301. Then, a collector region 311 for bipolar transistor is formed by implanting selectively phosphorus of 1×10¹³ to 1×10¹⁴ cm⁻² at high energy of 700 keV to 1.5 MeV with using a photoresist mask pattern. Further, a p-type base region 309 is formed by implanting, e.g., boron or BF₂ of 1×10¹³ to

$5 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 10 to 50 keV with using the same photoresist mask pattern. Then, first polysilicon film **312** of 150 to 400 nm is grown thereon.

Meanwhile, in the third embodiment, the collector region **311** and the p-type base region **309** are formed after forming the gate oxide film **308**. However, they may be formed before forming the gate oxide film **308**.

Then, as shown in FIG. **8D**, gate electrodes **313** are formed by removing selectively the first polysilicon film **312** by known anisotropic etching with using a photoresist mask pattern, and then the photoresist pattern is removed.

Then, as shown in FIG. **8E**, a n-type LDD layer **320**, a p-type LDD layer **321** are formed. Then, second oxide film **337** is grown.

Meanwhile, in the third embodiment, the collector region **311** and p-type base region **309** are formed at the step in FIG. **8C**. However, they may be formed before growing the second oxide film **337**.

Then, as shown in FIG. **8F**, an emitter contact **310** and a collector contact **326** are formed by etching selectively the second oxide film **337** with using a photoresist mask pattern. Then, second polysilicon film **342** of 150 to 400 nm is grown.

Meanwhile, the second polysilicon film **342** may be grown non-doping or doping with impurity of, e.g., phosphorus or arsenic, of 1×10^{18} to $1 \times 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-2}$.

Then, as shown in FIG. **8G**, an emitter extraction electrode **314** is formed by removing selectively the polysilicon film **342** by known anisotropic etching with using a photoresist mask pattern. Then, a collector trench **324** is formed by further etching with using the photoresist pattern and second oxide film **337** as a mask. Then, the photoresist pattern is removed. These etchings may be conducted sequentially on same conditions or separately in several steps.

Then, after growing third oxide film **339**, as shown in FIG. **8H**, side walls **319** of the third oxide film are formed on the side of the gate electrode **313**, emitter extraction electrode **314** and collector is trench **324** by known anisotropic etching. Meanwhile, the side wall formed on the side of the gate electrode **313** is of two layers of the second oxide film **337** and third oxide film **339**.

Then, as shown in FIG. **8I**, a n⁺-type source/drain region **322** for n-MOS is formed by ion-implanting impurity of phosphorus, arsenic or the like. Also, a n⁺-type diffusion layer **328** is formed at the bottom of the collector trench **324**. Then, a p⁺-type source/drain region **323** for p-MOS and a p⁺-type graft base **316** are formed by ion-implanting impurity of boron, BF₂ or the like.

Meanwhile, the impurity introduction into the emitter extraction electrode **314** when the second polysilicon film **342** to form the emitter extraction electrode **314** is grown non-doping may be conducted simultaneously with the ion implantation of impurity to form the n⁺-type source/drain region **322** for n-MOS. Alternatively, it may be conducted by another step of implanting impurity of phosphorus, arsenic or the like.

Also, it is desired that these ion implantations be conducted through thin oxide film **341** of about 5 to 20 nm to be further formed on, e.g., the exposed surface of the p-type silicon substrate **301** so as to prevent a crystal defect at the end of the side wall **319**.

Then, as shown in FIG. **8J**, a silicide layer **325** is formed by siliciding the surface of the gate electrode **313**, emitter extraction electrode **314**, n⁺-type diffusion layer **328** at the

bottom of the collector trench **324**, n⁺-type source/drain region **322**, p⁺-type source/drain region **323** and p⁺-type graft base **316** by known method using metal of titanium, cobalt, nickel or the like.

Then, as shown in FIG. **8K**, interlayer insulating film **327** composed of, e.g., oxide film (TEOS-SiO₂ film) of 50 nm and BPSG (boron-phosphorus-silicate-glass) of 800 nm like the third prior art is formed. In addition, contacts are formed at predetermined positions of the interlayer insulating film **327**, and then a contact plug **329** are formed through barrier metal (not shown). Then, metal wiring **330** to contact the contact plug **329** is formed on the interlayer insulating film **327**. Though, in FIG. **8K**, the contact width for the collector trench **324** is shown to be smaller than the width of the collector trench **324**, it may be equal to or greater than that of the collector trench **324**.

Next, referring to FIG. **8K**, the structure of the bipolar transistor in the semiconductor device in the third embodiment will be explained below.

In the bipolar transistor, the collector region **311** is formed on the p-type silicon substrate **301** and the collector connection region **306a** is formed only at the collector contact **326** in the collector region **311**. The collector contact **326** and the p-type base region **309** are separated from each other by the device-separating oxide film **307** formed on the surface of the collector region **311**. Also, in the region of the collector contact **326**, the bottom of the collector trench **324** is formed to abut on a portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region **311**.

Also, the side walls **319** are formed on the side of the collector trench **324**. The n⁺-type diffusion layer **328** to be formed in implanting the n⁺-type source/drain **322** for CMOS is formed at part of the bottom of the collector trench **324** where the side wall **319** is not left. Also, the silicide layer **325** is formed on the surface of the n⁺-type diffusion layer **328**. It is connected through barrier metal (not shown) to the contact plug **329**. The contact plug **329** is connected to the metal wiring **330** formed on the interlayer insulating film **327**.

Meanwhile, the bottom of the collector trench **324** may be formed a little lower than the portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region **311** so that a portion with peak impurity concentration in the n⁺-type diffusion layer **328** can abut on the portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region **311**.

As described above, in the third embodiment, the n⁺-type buried layer and epitaxial layer are not formed and the collector region is formed by the ion implantation at high energy. As a result, the problem that the transistor size is prevented from being decreased because of the unnecessary expansion in impurity region due to thermal hysteresis can be solved.

Also, the collector trench **324** is formed by etching with using the photoresist pattern and second oxide film **337** as a mask, subsequently after forming the emitter extraction electrode **314**. Therefore, the number of fabrication steps is not increased. Namely, in the third embodiment, the essential problem that the number of fabrication steps of BiCMOS is too many can be solved by having some of the steps of fabricating CMOS and bipolar transistor in common.

Also, in the third embodiment, the collector resistance is not increased because the collector region **311** and the contact plug **329** connected to the metal wiring **330** are directly connected at the bottom of the collector trench **324**.

In addition, in the third embodiment, the impurity concentration can be increased by forming the collector con-

nection region **306a** and collector region **311** at the collector contact **326**. Thereby, the collector resistance can be further reduced to 200^{Ω} . Meanwhile, when a collector resistance of 200^{Ω} is given, the characteristic shown by the full lines in FIG. 4 can be obtained. In this case, no deterioration in base current characteristic can be observed.

In the first to third embodiments, as shown in FIGS. 5H, 6K and 8K, the silicide layer exists only at a part of the bottom of the collector trench because the side wall is formed on the sides of the collector trench. If the etching to form the contact hole is insufficiently conducted, then the following problems may occur.

The formation of contact hole before forming the contact plug is generally conducted deeper for the collector trench buried with the interlayer insulating film. However, when the contact hole is insufficiently formed, a remainder of interlayer insulating film **327a** shown in FIG. 9A occurs.

Also, when the positioning in forming the contact hole is inaccurately conducted as shown in FIG. 9B, the contact area at the bottom of the contact plug **329** may be varied. Thereby, the collector resistance may be increased or dispersed. Meanwhile, numerals used in FIGS. 9A and 9B are identical with those in FIGS. 8A to 8K.

In this regard, a method for making a semiconductor device in the fourth embodiment will give a solution.

The method for making a semiconductor device in the fourth preferred embodiment will be explained below.

At first, as shown in FIG. 10A, device-separating oxide film is **407** and first oxide film **433** are formed on a p-type silicon substrate **401** by using known LOCOS or STI etc.

Then, as shown in FIG. 10B, a p-well region **402** to form n-MOS is formed by implanting, e.g., boron of $5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 350 keV. Also, a n-well region **406** to form p-MOS and a collector connection region **406a** to form the collector of the bipolar transistor are formed by implanting, e.g., phosphorus of 1×10^{13} to $5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at high energy of 300 to 800 keV and further phosphorus of 1×10^{12} to $1 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 50 to 150 keV.

Then, as shown in FIG. 10C, gate oxide film **408** of 5 to 10 nm thick is formed on the p-type silicon substrate **401**. Then, a collector region **411** for bipolar transistor is formed by implanting selectively phosphorus of 1×10^{13} to $1 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at high energy of 700 keV to 1.5 MeV with using a photoresist mask pattern. Further, a p-type base region **409** is formed by implanting, e.g., boron or BF_2 of 1×10^{13} to $5 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 10 to 50 keV with using the same photoresist mask pattern. Then, after removing the photoresist pattern, first polysilicon film **412** of 150 to 400 nm is grown thereon.

Meanwhile, in the fourth embodiment, the collector region **411** and the p-type base region **409** are formed after forming the gate oxide film **408**. However, they may be formed before forming the gate oxide film **408**.

Then, as shown in FIG. 10D, gate electrodes **413** are formed by removing selectively the first polysilicon film **412** by known anisotropic etching with using a photoresist mask pattern, and then the photoresist pattern is removed.

Then, as shown in FIG. 10E, a n-type LDD layer **420**, a p-type LDD layer **421** are formed. Then, second oxide film **437** is grown. Meanwhile, in the fourth embodiment, the collector region **411** and p-type base region **409** are formed at the step in FIG. 10C. However, they may be formed before growing the second oxide film **437**.

Then, as shown in FIG. 10F, an emitter contact **410** and a collector contact **426** are formed by etching selectively the second oxide film **437** with using a photoresist mask pattern. Then, second polysilicon film **442** of 150 to 400 nm is grown thereon.

Meanwhile, the second polysilicon film **442** may be grown non-doping or doping with impurity of, e.g., phosphorus or arsenic, of 1×10^{18} to $1 \times 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-2}$.

Then, as shown in FIG. 10G, an emitter extraction electrode **414** is formed by removing selectively the second polysilicon film **442** by known anisotropic etching with using a photoresist mask pattern. Then, a collector trench **424** is formed by further etching with using the photoresist pattern and second oxide film **437** as a mask. Then, the photoresist pattern is removed. These etchings may be conducted sequentially on same conditions or separately in several steps.

Then, as shown in FIG. 10H, side walls **419** composed of third oxide film **339** are formed on the side of the gate electrode **413** by known anisotropic etching. Meanwhile, as seen from FIG. 10H, the third oxide film **439** is removed from the base region while remaining a part thereof under the emitter extraction electrode **414**.

Then, as shown in FIG. 10I, a n⁺-type source/drain region **422** for n-MOS is formed by ion-implanting impurity of phosphorus, arsenic or the like. Also, a n⁺-type diffusion layer **428** is formed at the bottom of the collector trench **424**. Then, a p⁻-type source/drain region **423** for p-MOS and a p⁺-type graft base **416** are formed by ion-implanting impurity of boron, BF_2 or the like.

Meanwhile, these ion implantations maybe, as described earlier, conducted through thin oxide film of about 5 to 20 nm so as to prevent a crystal defect at the end of the side wall **419** or conducted with remaining the third oxide film **439** of about 5 to 10 nm when the third oxide film **439** is anisotropic-etched to form the side wall. In the fourth embodiment, the latter method is employed.

Meanwhile, the impurity introduction into the emitter extraction electrode **414** when the second polysilicon film **442** to form the emitter extraction electrode **414** is grown non-doping may be conducted simultaneously with the ion implantation of impurity to form the n⁺-type source/drain region **422** for n-MOS. Alternatively, it may be conducted by another step of implanting impurity of phosphorus, arsenic or the like.

Then, as shown in FIG. 10J, a silicide layer **425** is formed by siliciding the surface of the gate electrode **413**, emitter extraction electrode **414**, the bottom and sides of the collector trench **424**, n⁺-type source/drain region **422**, p⁺-type source/drain region **423** and p⁺-type graft base **416** by known method using metal of titanium, cobalt, nickel or the like.

Then, as shown in FIG. 10K, interlayer insulating film **427** composed of, e.g., oxide film (TEOS-SiO₂ film) of 50 nm and BPSG (boron-phosphorus-silicate-glass) of 800 nm like the third prior art is formed. In addition, contacts are formed at predetermined positions of the interlayer insulating film **427**, and then a contact plug **429** are formed through barrier metal (not shown). Then, metal is wiring **430** to contact the contact plug **429** is formed on the interlayer insulating film **427**.

Next, referring to FIG. 10K, the structure of the bipolar transistor in the semiconductor device in the fourth embodiment will be explained below.

In the bipolar transistor, the collector region **411** is formed on the p-type silicon substrate **401** and the collector connection region **406a** is formed only at the collector contact **426** in the collector region **411**. The collector contact **426** and the p-type base region **409** are separated from each other by the device-separating oxide film **407** formed on the surface of the collector region **411**.

Also, in the region of the collector contact **426**, the bottom of the collector trench **424** is formed to abut on a portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region **411**.

Also, the impurity region to be formed in implanting the n⁻-type source/drain for CMOS is formed at the bottom of the collector trench **424**. Also, the silicide layer **425** is formed on the sides and bottom surface of the collector trench **424**. It is connected through barrier metal (not shown) to the contact plug **429**. The contact plug **429** is connected to the metal wiring **430** formed on the interlayer insulating film **427**.

Meanwhile, the bottom of the collector trench **424** may be formed a little lower than the portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region **411** so that a portion with peak impurity concentration in the n-type diffusion layer **428** can abut on the portion with peak impurity concentration in the collector region **411**.

As described above, in the fourth embodiment, the n⁺-type buried layer and epitaxial layer are not formed and the collector region is formed by the ion implantation at high energy. As a result, the problem that the transistor size is prevented from being decreased because of the unnecessary expansion in impurity region due to thermal hysteresis can be solved.

Also, in the fourth embodiment, the collector resistance is not increased because the collector region **411** and the contact plug **429** connected to the metal wiring **430** are directly connected at the bottom of the collector trench **424**.

Also, the collector trench **424** is formed by etching with using the photoresist pattern and device-separating oxide film **407** as a mask, subsequently after forming the gate electrode **413** and emitter extraction electrode **414**. Therefore, the number of fabrication steps is not increased. Namely, in the fourth embodiment, the essential problem that the number of fabrication steps of BiCMOS is too many can be solved by having some of the steps of fabricating CMOS and bipolar transistor in common.

Furthermore, in the fourth embodiment, as seen from FIGS. **10J** and **10K**, the side wall **419** is not formed on the sides of the collector trench **424**. Therefore, the silicide layer can be formed on the entire bottom surface and side of the collector trench **424**, thereby reducing the collector resistance.

Moreover, in the fourth embodiment, the problems illustrated in FIGS. **9A** and **9B** can be solved.

Namely, an increase or dispersion in collector resistance can be suppressed because the silicide layer formed on the entire bottom surface and side of the collector trench **424** has a very low layer resistance of about $2^{\Omega/\square}$, even when the contact plug **329** does not reach the bottom of the collector trench **324** due to the remainder **327a** of interlayer insulating film to be left in forming the contact hole as shown in FIG. **9A** or the contact plug **329** contacts the side of the collector trench due to the inaccurate positioning of the contact hole as shown in FIG. **9B**.

Next, alterations in the fourth embodiment will be explained in FIGS. **11A** to **11C**. FIGS. **11A** to **11C** shows enlarged parts, particularly around the collector trench **424**, corresponding to those in FIG. **10J** in the fourth embodiment. Numerals used in FIGS. **11A** to **11C** are identical with those in FIGS. **10A** to **10K**.

FIG. **11A** shows the alteration that the collector connection region **406a** is formed deeper than the collector region **411**.

FIG. **11B** shows the alteration that the collector connection region **406a** is formed deeper than the collector region

411 and further the collector trench **424** is also formed deeper than the collector region **411**.

FIG. **11C** shows the alteration that the collector connection region **406a** is formed shallower than the collector region **411** and further the collector trench **424** is formed deeper than the collector region **406a**.

Meanwhile, by the alterations in FIGS. **11A** to **11C**, it will be easily understood that the collector trench **424** can be so disposed that the bottom of the collector trench **424** can contact directly or indirectly through the n⁺-type diffusion layer **428** the impurity peak of the collector connection region **406a** or collector region **411**.

Although the invention has been described with respect to specific embodiment for complete and clear disclosure, the appended claims are not to be thus limited but are to be construed as embodying all modification and alternative constructions that may be occurred to one skilled in the art which fairly fall within the basic teaching here is set forth.

What is claimed is:

1. A semiconductor device, comprising:

a bipolar transistor comprising a collector region of a second conductivity type formed from the surface of a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type, a base region of the first conductivity type formed from the surface of said collector region, and an emitter region of the second conductivity type formed from the surface of said base region;

a collector contact region formed in a portion of said collector region separated from said base region;

a concave portion formed in said collector contact region up to a depth where said collector region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution; and

a collector extraction electrode formed in said collector contact region and connected with said collector region, said collector extraction electrode being ohmic-connected at the bottom and side of said concave portion.

2. A semiconductor device, comprising:

a bipolar transistor comprising a collector region of a second conductivity type formed from the surface of a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type, a base region of the first conductivity type formed from the surface of said collector region, and an emitter region of the second conductivity type formed from the surface of said base region;

a collector contact region formed in a portion of said collector region separated from said base region;

a collector connection region formed in said collector contact region and having said second conductivity type of impurity implanted with a concentration higher than the impurity concentration of said collector region;

a concave portion formed in said collector connection region up to a depth where at least one of said collector connection region and said collector region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution; and

a collector extraction electrode formed in said concave portion and connected with said collector region, said collector extraction electrode being ohmic-connected at the bottom of said concave portion.

3. A semiconductor device, comprising:

a bipolar transistor comprising a collector region of a second conductivity type formed from the surface of a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type, a base region of the first conductivity type formed from the surface of said collector region, and an emitter

- region of the second conductivity type formed from the surface of said base region;
- a collector contact region formed in a portion of said collector region separated from said base region;
- a concave portion formed in said collector contact region shallower than a depth where said collector region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution;
- a diffusion layer formed from the bottom of said concave portion to a depth where said collector region has said peak concentration in impurity distribution, said diffusion layer having said second conductivity type of impurity; and
- a collector extraction electrode formed in said concave portion and connected with said collector region, said collector extraction electrode being ohmic-connected at the bottom of said concave portion.
- 4.** A semiconductor device, comprising:
- a bipolar transistor comprising a collector region of a second conductivity type formed from the surface of a semiconductor substrate of a first conductivity type, a base region of the first conductivity type formed from the surface of said collector region, and an emitter region of the second conductivity type formed from the surface of said base region;
- a collector contact region formed in a portion of said collector region separated from said base region;
- a collector connection region formed in said collector contact region and having said second conductivity type of impurity implanted with a concentration higher than a concentration of said collector region;
- a concave portion formed in said collector connection region up to a depth where at least one of said collector connection region and said collector region has a peak concentration in impurity distribution;
- a diffusion layer formed from the bottom of said concave portion up to a depth where at least one of said collector connection region and said collector region has said peak concentration in impurity distribution, the diffusion layer being implanted with said second conductivity type of impurity; and
- a collector extraction electrode formed in said concave portion and connected with said collector region, said collector extraction electrode being ohmic-connected at the bottom of said concave portion.
- 5.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 1, further comprising:
- in addition to said bipolar transistor, a first MOS transistor that is formed in a first well of the first conductivity type formed in said semiconductor substrate and a second MOS transistor that is formed in a second well of the second conductivity type formed in said semiconductor substrate and that has a channel conductivity type different from that of said first MOS transistor.
- 6.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 2, further comprising:
- in addition to said bipolar transistor, a first MOS transistor that is formed in a first well of the first conductivity type formed in said semiconductor substrate and a second MOS transistor that is formed in a second well of the second conductivity type formed in said semiconductor substrate and that has a channel conductivity type different from that of said first MOS transistor.
- 7.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 3, further comprising:
- in addition to said bipolar transistor, a first MOS transistor that is formed in a first well of the first conductivity

- type formed in said semiconductor substrate and a second MOS transistor that is formed in a second well of the second conductivity type formed in said semiconductor substrate and that has a channel conductivity type different from that of said first MOS transistor.
- 8.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 4, further comprising:
- in addition to said bipolar transistor, a first MOS transistor that is formed in a first well of the first conductivity type formed in said semiconductor substrate and a second MOS transistor that is formed in a second well of the second conductivity type formed in said semiconductor substrate and that has a channel conductivity type different from that of said first MOS transistor.
- 9.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 1, wherein: said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its bottom.
- 10.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 2, wherein: said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its bottom.
- 11.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 3, wherein: said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its bottom.
- 12.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 4, wherein: said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its bottom.
- 13.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 5, wherein: said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its bottom.
- 14.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 6, wherein: said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its bottom.
- 15.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 7, wherein: said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its bottom.
- 16.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 8, wherein: said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its bottom.
- 17.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 2, wherein: said collector extraction electrode is also ohmic-connected with the side of said concave portion.
- 18.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 3, wherein: said collector extraction electrode is also ohmic-connected with the side of said concave portion.
- 19.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 4, wherein: said collector extraction electrode is also ohmic-connected with the side of said concave portion.
- 20.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 5, wherein: said collector extraction electrode is also ohmic-connected with the side of said concave portion.
- 21.** A semiconductor device, according to claim 6, wherein: said collector extraction electrode is also ohmic-connected with the side of said concave portion.

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22. A semiconductor device, according to claim 7, wherein:

said collector extraction electrode is also ohmic-connected with the side of said concave portion.

23. A semiconductor device, according to claim 8, 5 wherein:

said collector extraction electrode is also ohmic-connected with the side of said concave portion.

24. A semiconductor device, according to claim 1, 10 wherein:

said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its side.

25. A semiconductor device, according to claim 2, wherein:

said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its side. 15

26. A semiconductor device, according to claim 3, wherein:

said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its side. 20

27. A semiconductor device, according to claim 4, wherein:

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said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its side.

28. A semiconductor device, according to claim 5, wherein:

said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its side.

29. A semiconductor device, according to claim 6, wherein:

said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its side. 10

30. A semiconductor device, according to claim 7, wherein:

said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its side. 15

31. A semiconductor device, according to claim 8, wherein:

said concave portion has a silicide layer formed on its side. 20

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Column 15,
Line 44, delete "FIG. 81" insert -- FIG. 8I --

Column 17,
Line 63, delete "FIG. OF" insert -- FIG. 10F --

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